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1 ACRONYMS

ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials

CDN Composite drainage net
CM Construction Manager

CQA Construction Quality Assurance
CQC Construction Quality Control
DOE U.S. Department of Energy

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

GCL Geosynthetic clay liner

GRI Geosynthetic Research Institute
IDF Integrated Disposal Facility

LCRS Leachate collection and removal system

LDS Leak detection system

NCR Non-Conformance Report

ORP Office of River Protection

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

PM Project Manager
QA Quality assurance
QC Quality control

RFI Request for Information
SBL Soil bentonite admix liner

SLDS Secondary leak detection system

UCL Upper control limit

WAC Washington Administrative Code

1 SECTION 1 GENERAL

2 1.1 Introduction

- 3 This Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Plan describes the quality assurance (QA) activities for
- 4 constructing Phase I of the Integrated Disposal Facility (IDF) at the Hanford facility in Richland,
- 5 Washington.

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6 1.1.1 Applicable Units

- 7 QA activities will be required during construction of Cell 1 of Phase I to certify that the following
- 8 construction activities are performed in accordance with the construction documents:
 - Construction/preparation of foundation systems for liners.
 - Construction of dikes or embankments.
 - Construction of low-permeability soil liners.
- Construction of geomembranes.
- Construction of leachate collection and removal systems and leak detection systems.
- 14 This CQA Plan has been prepared to describe the activities that will be performed during construction of
- the lining system, leachate collection and leak detection systems, and operation layer of Cell 1. This
- 16 CQA Plan is intended to satisfy the regulatory requirements and guidance established in 40 CFR 264.19,
- 17 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) technical guidance document, Quality Assurance and
- 18 Quality Control for Waste Containment Facilities (EPA 1993), and Washington Administrative Code
- 19 (WAC) 173-303-335.
- 20 This CQA Plan will be implemented by a CQA Officer (herein referred to as the CQA certifying
- engineer), a person familiar with EPA's technical guidance document, Quality Assurance and Quality
- 22 Control for Waste Containment Facilities and this CQA Plan. The CQA certifying engineer will be
- 23 supported by the number of CQA representatives necessary to implement the requirements in this CQA
- 24 Plan and to document the work.

25 **1.1.2 Scope**

- This COA Plan establishes general administrative and documentation procedures that will be applicable
- 27 for selected activities of construction. With respect to responsibilities, personnel qualifications, and
- 28 specific inspection and testing activities, this CQA Plan addresses only those activities associated with the
- soils, geosynthetics, and related liner and leachate collection system piping components for the IDF.
- 30 The CQA requirements are divided into the following sections to provide quick access to CQA
- 31 requirements for individual liner components:
 - Soils CQA
 - Geosynthetic Clay Liner CQA
 - Geomembrane COA
 - Geotextile CQA

- Composite Drainage Net CQA
- Polyethylene Pipe and Fittings CQA
- CQA Documentation and Certification
- CQA Documentation and Certification

32 **1.2 Project Organization**

- This section describes the anticipated project organization for the IDF construction activities. The
- 34 following subsections address the organizations involved in the construction, their respective roles in
- 35 construction activities, and the methods of interactions between organizations.

36 1.2.1 Responsibility and Authority

- 37 The organization chart for the IDF construction is shown in Figure 1-1. These personnel will be
- associated with two main entities that include the Tank Farm operating contractor and his agents and the
- 39 construction general contractor and his personnel and/or subcontractors.

- 1 The project team consists of both full-time field personnel and part-time management personnel. The
- 2 part-time management personnel will be onsite during the IDF construction periodically to monitor
- 3 progress, attend meetings, resolve disputes, and ensure that the work is implemented in accordance with
- 4 the construction drawings, technical specifications, CQA Plan, and the RCRA permit. The field
- 5 personnel will consist of the key personnel onsite during construction. The solid lines on the organization
- 6 chart represent project responsibilities such as scope, cost, and schedule. The dashed lines represent the
- 7 functional responsibilities of staff for QA, design, and management. The responsibilities and reporting
- 8 requirements for each project team member are described in the following sections.

9 **1.2.1.1 Project Team**

- 10 When the individuals identified below are designated to perform specific functions described in this CQA
- Plan, the reference to these individuals includes their designee or an alternate who can function on their
- behalf. The Department of Energy Office of River Protection (DOE-ORP) Manager is the owner's
- 13 representative and is responsible for project funding and overall project scope. The DOE-ORP manager
- and IDF project manager keep the regulatory agencies informed of IDF construction activities and
- 15 progress.

16 1.2.1.2 IDF Project Manager (PM)

- 17 The IDF PM is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor, has overall responsibility for
- the IDF construction, and interfaces with the DOE-ORP manager. The IDF PM directs the activities of
- the IDF project and field team staff, including the CM, design engineer, and the project engineer.
- Additionally, the IDF PM has overall responsibility for the achievement of quality. Functionally, the
- 21 IDF PM reviews and approves quality assurance reports submitted by the IDF CQA certifying engineer.

22 1.2.1.3 IDF Project Engineer

- 23 The IDF project engineer is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor and is
- 24 responsible for providing technical support to the IDF project team. The IDF project engineer is
- supported by the design engineer for reviewing and/or preparing technical documents related to
- engineering design and analyses.

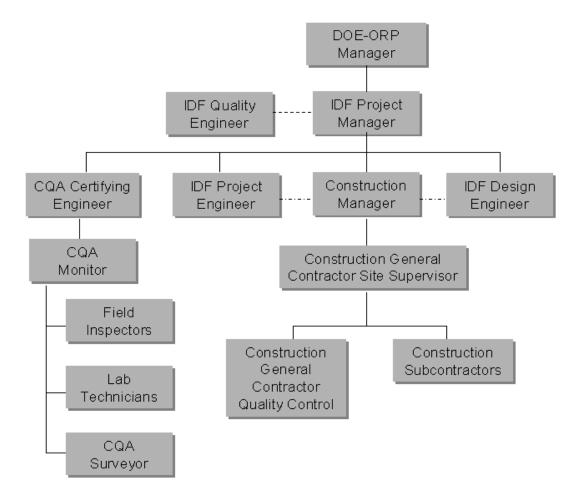


Figure 1-1. QA Organization Chart

1 1.2.1.4 IDF Quality Engineer

- 2 The IDF quality engineer is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor and is
- 3 independent from line management on the project. The IDF quality engineer provides overview and
- 4 assessment of QA on the project. The IDF quality engineer provides feedback and assessment results to
- 5 the IDF PM.

6 1.2.1.5 IDF Design Engineer

- 7 The IDF design engineer is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor is responsible for
- 8 reviewing and/or preparing technical documents related to the IDF design and construction. The design
- 9 engineer prepares the construction drawings, technical specifications, and the CQA Plan. The IDF design
- engineer reports to the IDF PM and supports the IDF project engineer.

11 **1.2.1.6 Field Team**

12 **1.2.1.7 IDF Construction Manager**

- 13 The IDF CM is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor and serves as the point of
- contact between the IDF construction general contractor and the IDF project team. All construction
- 15 general contractor correspondence and direction flows through the CM. The CM oversees the daily
- 16 construction field activities and is the onsite representative for the IDF PM.

17 **1.2.1.8 CQA Certifying Engineer**

- 18 The CQA certifying engineer is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor who has the
- overall responsibility of implementing this CQA Plan and directly supervises the CQA monitor, field
- 20 inspection team, and laboratory technicians. The CQA certifying engineer is responsible for preparation
- of an implementation plan that addresses how the CQA Plan is to be implemented, and how CQA work is
- 22 to be performed, tracked, and coordinated, as well as how procedures outlined in this CQA Plan are to be
- followed. The implementation plan will be submitted to IDF project manager and CM for approval.
- 24 Functionally, the CQA certifying engineer submits certified CQA reports to the IDF CM for review and
- 25 approval by the IDF PM. The CQA certifying engineer is a registered professional engineer in
- Washington and has the authority to provide a certification letter that the IDF is constructed in accordance
- 27 with the approved CQA Plan, the approved plans and specifications, and any approved changes. The
- 28 CQA certifying engineer also has the authority and responsibility to stop work and recommend remedial
- actions to the IDF PM.

1.2.1.9 Field Inspector

- 31 Field inspectors are employees or agents of the Tank Farm operating contractor and report to the CQA
- 32 certifying engineer. The field inspector's function is to perform testing and observations, in accordance
- with this CQA Plan and under the direction of the CQA monitor and CQA certifying engineer.

34 1.2.1.10 Soils Laboratory Technicians

- 35 Laboratory technicians are employees or agents of the Tank Farm operating contractor and report to the
- 36 CQA certifying engineer and provide the QA laboratory testing, required by this CQA Plan, as requested
- 37 by the CQA monitor, and CQA certifying engineer.

38 **1.2.1.11 CQA Surveyor**

- 39 The CQA surveyor will be an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor and will be a
- 40 registered land surveyor in the State of Washington.

41 **1.2.1.12 CQA Monitor**

- The CQA monitor is an employee or agent of the Tank Farm operating contractor, reports directly to the
- 43 CQA certifying engineer, and is a CQA representative, supported by the field inspection team and

- 1 laboratory technician. The CQA monitor ensures that all CQA tests are performed in accordance with
- 2 this CQA Plan and accepted procedures.

3 1.2.1.13 Construction General Contractor

- 4 The IDF construction general contractor is responsible for implementing the approved design by
- 5 providing the necessary labor, equipment, materials, and all other resources necessary to construct the
- 6 IDF.

7 1.2.1.14 Construction General Contractor Site Supervisor

- 8 The site supervisor is an employee or agent of the construction general contractor and is responsible for
- 9 implementing the IDF construction activities. The site supervisor has overall responsibility for all
- 10 construction activities related to the IDF, controls day-to-day construction tasks, and is the point of
- 11 contact for construction general contractor field personnel. The site supervisor ensures the work is
- 12 progressing in accordance with approved construction contract documents and the approved schedule.

13 1.2.1.15 Construction Subcontractors

- 14 Construction subcontractors include specialty companies, retained by the IDF construction general
- 15 contractor, to perform specific work activities at the IDF such as earth moving, geosynthetic lining
- installation, piping, and building/tank installation. The construction subcontractors report directly to the
- 17 construction general contractor site supervisor.

18 **1.2.1.16 Construction General Contractor Quality Control**

- 19 The construction general contractor provides a construction QC engineer who supports the site supervisor.
- 20 The primary responsibility of the construction QC engineer is to ensure that the work is performed in
- 21 accordance with the technical specifications and construction drawings. Specific duties of the
- 22 construction QC engineer include activities such as preparing construction submittals, field
- 23 documentation, and interfacing with the CQA certifying engineer.

24 1.2.2 Project Meetings

- 25 The various progress and status meetings that are anticipated to be held throughout the IDF construction
- are described below. The purpose of the meetings is to discuss work progress, planning, and other issues
- 27 related to construction. A portion of these meetings can be dedicated to CQA issues, as necessary, to
- provide an opportunity for the CQA team to express concerns regarding quality, relay test results, and
- 29 ensure good communication between all organizations involved in the construction of the IDF.

30 1.2.2.1 Pre-Construction Meeting

- A pre-construction meeting will be scheduled prior to beginning construction activities for the IDF. At a
- 32 minimum, the meeting will be attended by IDF staff including the PM, CM, project engineer, design
- as engineer, as well as the construction general contractor site supervisor, and the CQA certifying engineer.
- A portion of the meeting will be dedicated to the discussion of QA issues. Suggested CQA topics will
- include, but not be limited to:

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- Reviewing the responsibilities of each organization.
- Discussing the authority of agencies and project and field team members to order work stoppages.
- Reviewing lines of authority and communication for each organization.
- Providing each organization with all relevant CQA documents and supporting information.
- Familiarizing each organization with the CQA Plan and its role, relative to the design criteria, plans, and specifications.
 - Discussing the established procedures or protocol for observations and tests, including sampling strategies.
 - Discussing the established procedures or protocol for handling construction deficiencies, repairs, and re-testing, including "stop work" conditions.

- Reviewing methods for documenting and reporting inspection data.
- Reviewing methods for distributing and storing documents and reports.
- Reviewing work area security and safety protocol.
- Reviewing the proposed project schedule.
- Discussing procedures for the location and protection of construction materials and for the prevention of damage of the materials from inclement weather or other adverse events.
 - Determining action items, assigning actionees, and recording minutes to be transmitted to meeting attendees.
 - Discussing document control requirements and control of CQA records.
 - Discussing control and protection of samples.

11 1.2.2.2 Daily Pre-Job Briefing

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- 12 The construction general contractor will conduct daily pre-job briefings at the work area. The participants
- will include the construction field personnel, including lower tiered subcontractors and CQA
- representatives. The primary purpose of these meetings will be to address the day's planned activities.
- 15 The CQA monitor will discuss CQA activities planned for that day and interface needs with the
- 16 construction personnel. Suggested CQA topics are:
- Review the work location and activities for the day.
 - Discuss the construction general contractor's personnel and equipment assignments for the day.
- Address scheduling of resources for upcoming work.
- Review any new test data.
- Discuss any potential construction problems, including unexpected subsurface conditions.
- Discuss CQA-planned activities and interface needs.
- 23 This meeting will be documented and the documentation will be retained on file by the CQA monitor.

24 **1.2.2.3 Construction Progress Meetings**

- Weekly progress meetings will be held at the site to discuss construction progress. At a minimum, the
- 26 weekly progress meetings will be attended by the IDF PM, CM, the site supervisor, and the CQA
- 27 certifying engineer or CQA monitor. The purposes of the meeting are to:
- Review previous activities and accomplishments.
 - Review claims, change orders, delays, and similar items.
 - Review planned activities for the upcoming 2-week period.
- Finalize resolution of problems from previous meetings.
- Discuss potential problems with the work planned for the upcoming 2-week period.
- 33 Minutes will be recorded and transmitted to meeting attendees and other interested parties.

34 1.2.2.4 Non-Conformance Meetings

- 35 Meetings will be convened as necessary to address non-conformances discovered during inspection.
- 36 Deficiencies observed during construction by the COA representatives will be brought to the attention of
- 37 the IDF CM and CQA certifying engineer and documented using the non-conformance reporting (NCR)
- 38 procedures outlined in Section 8.1.4. These deficiencies also will be tracked in the CQA representative's
- 39 field logbook until resolution and included in the daily summary report. These documents will include
- 40 the description of the deficiency and actions taken or to be taken to resolve.

41 **1.2.3** Hold Points

- 42 Mandatory hold points will be established for certain key activities. At these points, the IDF construction
- 43 general contractor will notify the CQA monitor or CQA certifying engineer that the layer or portion of a

- layer is ready for review. The hold points anticipated for the IDF would be at completion or partial
- 2 completion of each of the following components:
- Prepared subgrade
- SLDS geomembrane and composite drainage net (CDN)
- SLDS riser pipe
- Soil bentonite admix soil liner
- Secondary GCL
- Secondary geomembrane
- 9 LDS CDN
- 10 LDS piping
- Primary geosynthetic clay liner (GCL)
- Primary geomembrane
- Cushion geotextile
- LCRS piping
- Drain gravel
- Separation geotextile
- Operations layer
- On side slopes, a LCRS CDN would substitute for the cushion geotextile, drain gravel, and separation
- 19 geotextile.

20 1.3 Personnel Qualifications and Training

- 21 This section describes the qualifications and training required for CQA personnel. All documentation
- relating to qualifications will be maintained with the project CQA records.

23 1.3.1 CQA Certifying Engineer

- 24 The CQA certifying engineer will have landfill construction certification experience. The CQA certifying
- engineer will, at a minimum, be a registered civil professional engineer in good standing in the State of
- Washington, possess a bachelor's degree in civil or construction engineering, geotechnical engineering,
- engineering geology, or a closely related discipline, and have sufficient practical, technical, and
- 28 managerial experience to direct successfully the CQA activities discussed in this CQA Plan. The CQA
- 29 certifying engineer's qualifications will be documented by training records and a professional resume
- 30 showing significant field experience in landfill construction and low permeability soil-bentonite admix
- 31 liner construction, having directed CQA activities at a minimum of three landfill construction projects or
- 32 a minimum of 100 acres of combined landfill area certifying experience. The CQA certifying engineer
- 33 will be familiar with the EPA technical guidance document, *Quality Assurance and Quality Control for*
- 34 Waste Containment Facilities (EPA 1993). Qualification documentation will be reviewed by the IDF PM
- and IDF project engineer.

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1.3.2 CQA Monitor

- 37 At a minimum, the CQA monitor will have a high school diploma and at least five years of construction-
- 38 related experience, including at least three years of experience conducting CQA monitoring for earthwork
- 39 construction (including a minimum of three landfill construction projects or a minimum of 50 acres of
- 40 combined landfill area experience), or a bachelor of science degree from a four-year college or university
- and at least two years of experience conducting CQA monitoring for earthworks construction (including a
- 42 minimum of three landfill construction projects). The CQA monitor must be capable of performing work
- with little or no daily supervision. The CQA monitor will be familiar with the EPA technical guidance
- 44 document, Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Waste Containment Facilities (EPA 1993).

- 1 Qualifications of the CQA monitor will be documented by training records and a professional resume,
- 2 reviewed by the IDF PM and CQA certifying engineer.

3 1.3.3 Field Inspector

- 4 At a minimum, the field inspector will have a high school diploma and at least two years of construction-
- 5 related experience, including at least one year of experience conducting CQA monitoring for earthwork
- 6 construction, or will have a bachelor of science degree from a four-year college or university and at least
- 7 six months of experience conducting field inspection for earthworks construction. The field inspector
- 8 must be capable of routine engineering technician work, under general daily supervision. The field
- 9 inspector will be familiar with the EPA technical guidance document, Quality Assurance and Quality
- 10 Control for Waste Containment Facilities (EPA 1993). Qualifications of the field inspector will be
- documented by training records and a professional resume, reviewed by the IDF PM and CQA certifying
- 12 engineer.

13 1.3.4 Soils Laboratory Technicians

- 14 Laboratory technicians will have at a minimum a high school diploma and at least five years of
- 15 construction materials laboratory testing related experience, including at least three years of experience
- 16 performing geotechnical laboratory tests for earthwork construction, including compacted low
- 17 permeability soil-bentonite admix, or will have a bachelor of science degree from a four-year college or
- university and at least two years of experience performing geotechnical laboratory tests for earthwork
- 19 construction, including low permeability soil-bentonite admix. The laboratory technician must be capable
- of routine laboratory tech work, under general daily supervision. Qualifications of laboratory technicians,
- 21 including training records and professional resumes, will be reviewed by the IDF PM and CQA certifying
- 22 engineer.

23 **1.3.5 Geosynthetic Laboratory**

- 24 The geosynthetic laboratory will be selected by the CQA certifying engineer and will provide the
- 25 geosynthetic QA conformance testing required by this CQA Plan, as requested by the CQA monitor
- and/or CQA certifying engineer. The geosynthetics CQA laboratory will be unaffiliated with the
- 27 materials supplier or manufacturer, or construction general contractor. The geosynthetics CQA laboratory
- 28 will have at least five years of experience in testing geosynthetics and other relevant liner system
- components, and will be familiar with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) and other
- 30 applicable test standards.

31 1.4 Definitions Relating to Construction Quality Assurance

32 1.4.1 Construction Quality Assurance and Construction Quality Control

- 33 Construction Quality Assurance—A planned and systematic pattern of the means and actions designed
- 34 to provide adequate confidence that items or services meet contractual and regulatory requirements, and
- will perform satisfactorily in service.
- 36 Construction Quality Control (CQC)—Those actions that provide a means to measure and control the
- 37 characteristics of an item or service to meet contractual and regulatory requirements.

38 1.4.2 Use of the Terms in This Plan

- 39 The definitions used in the context of this CQA Plan are as follows:
- CQA refers to means and actions employed by the CQA representatives to assure conformity of
- liner system, LCRS, LDS, SLDS, and pipe preparation, production, and installation with this
- 42 CQA Plan, the technical specifications, and the construction drawings. CQA will be provided by
- 43 a third party, acting independently from the product manufacturer and construction general
- 44 contractor.

- CQC refers to those actions taken by manufacturers, suppliers, or construction general contractor, including their designated representatives, to ensure that the materials and the workmanship meet the requirements of the technical specifications and the construction drawings.
- 4 1.5 References

5 1.5.1 Applicable Organizations

- 6 Organizations whose standards are referenced in the CQA Plan include:
- 7 ASTM—American Society for Testing and Materials
- DOE—Department of Energy
- GRI—Geosynthetic Research Institute
- OSHA—Occupational Safety and Health Administration
- EPA—U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

12 **1.5.2 Applicable Standards**

- Any reference to standards of any society, institute, association, or governmental agency will pertain to
- the edition in effect as of the date of this CQA Plan, unless stated otherwise.
- 15 Specific test standards for tests cited in the CQA Plan are provided in the technical specifications. These
- standards may be modified due to technological advances since compilation of the technical
- specifications. All such modifications are to be approved in accordance with change order procedures
- described in Section 8.1.5.

19 1.6 Construction Activities and Submittal Requirements

20 1.6.1 Construction Activities

- 21 This section describes the construction activities and submittal requirements that will be performed by the
- 22 construction general contractor during the IDF construction. This CQA Plan only addresses selected
- 23 activities of the Phase I construction.
- In general, construction activities will consist of preparing the subgrade, installing the liner system, the
- 25 leak detection systems (LDS and SLDS), the leachate collection and removal system (LCRS), and
- operations layer and necessary equipment to complete the landfill for waste acceptance. Construction
- will consist of these activities:
- Mobilizing construction equipment and personnel.
- Vendor data submittals.
- Installing sediment and erosion control.
- Preparing soil bentonite material.
- Excavation, embankment, fine grading of landfill subgrade, and sump construction.
- Constructing the secondary leak detection system (SLDS) sump.
- Constructing the soil bentonite admix liner (SBL).
- Dust control activities during construction.
- Placing the geosynthetics for the secondary liner.
- Constructing the leak detection system (LDS).
- Placing the geosynthetics for the primary liner.
- Constructing the leachate collection and removal system.
- Constructing the operations layer.
- Site restoration.
- Demobilization.

- 1 Prior to the start of construction activities, the CQA representatives will review and become familiar with
- 2 all construction drawings, technical specifications, the COA Plan, and RCRA permit. The COA
- 3 certifying engineer also will be familiar with the most recent construction schedule, so that adequate
- 4 resources (i.e., laboratory, field testing equipment, staff, and CQA forms), including contingencies
- 5 (e.g., backup equipment, alternate laboratory, and alternate CQA staff) for CQA activities, will be
- 6 commensurate with the anticipated construction productivity and work schedule.

7 1.6.2 Submittal Requirements

- 8 The construction general contractor will provide the submittals required (listed in Table 1-1 in this
- 9 section) to the IDF PM. Submittals will be provided far enough in advance of scheduled installation dates
- to allow time for reviews, possible revisions and resubmittals, placing orders, and securing delivery. The
- 11 construction general contractor will identify, track, and disposition all required vendor data. The IDF PM
- will respond to each required submittal as stated in the technical specifications.
- 13 The submittals presented in Table 1-1 will be required as a minimum. A master submittal list will be
- provided as part of the contract documents.

1.6.3 Receipt Inspection Procedures

- 16 Inventory of manufactured materials used in lining system construction is detailed in Sections 3.1.4
- 17 (GCL), 4.1.4 (geomembrane), 5.1.4 (geotextiles), 6.1.4 (CDN) and 7.1.4 (polyethylene piping). The
- purpose of this section is to provide a general summary of the minimum requirements and procedures for
- 19 receiving and controlling purchased materials, equipment, or services as required by the contract
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- 21 Procurement, receipt, and inspection of construction materials and equipment are the responsibilities of
- the construction general contractor, with verification by the CQA certifying engineer and IDF CM.
- 23 Procedures specific to the IDF Phase I construction project will be prepared as part of the construction
- quality control (QC) plan, to be submitted by the construction general contractor.
- 25 Procedures to control receipt inspection will include the following, at a minimum:
 - The contract documents will provide a master submittal list that identifies the materials, equipment, or services requiring receipt inspection. Upon delivery to the project site, the general construction contractor will attach secure and visible "Quality Hold for Inspection" tags to each item.
 - All items, materials, and equipment that have been tagged will be stored in segregated areas, as
 identified in the contract documents. Items will be restricted from further use until all
 construction general contractor and CQA certifying engineer inspections are completed.
 - Upon inspection if items, materials, or equipment held for inspection, the "Quality Hold for Inspection" tag will be removed and replaced with one of the following, as appropriate:
 - Acceptance tag
- Non-conformance (red) tag
 - a) Conditional use tag
 - The construction general contractor may utilize only those items tagged as "Accepted" or "Conditional Use".
 - Red-tagged materials will not be used in construction and will be moved to a segregated area or removed from the site.
 - Conditional use tagged materials are restricted to use for specific conditions identified on the tag.
- Documentation of receipt inspection will be completed, maintained, and stored in a single location, in a secure and protected environment for the full performance period of the construction contract.

1 Table 1.1. Required Submittals

Submittal	Description	Requirement
Source Quality Control for Imported Materials (structural fill, drain gravel and crushed surfacing)	Gradation tests performed in accordance with ASTM D422 by a qualified independent test laboratory for imported materials on samples taken at place of production prior to shipment. Samples will be taken for gradation testing from every 2,000 tons of prepared materials, in accordance with ASTM D75.	Submitted by the construction general contractor and approved by the IDF PM prior to the shipment of material to the project site.
Geomembrane Installation Plan	Proposed layout drawings for each layer of geomembrane material. Geomembrane layout will show panel configuration, general dimensions, and seam locations.	Submitted by the construction general contractor and approved by the IDF PM prior to the installation of the respective geomembrane liner.
Subgrade surface acceptance	Certification in writing that the surface on which the geomembrane will be installed is acceptable to the installer. A certificate of acceptance will be provided by the construction general contractor to the CQA representative, who will then verify to the CQA certifying engineer that the deployment surface has been accepted immediately prior to commencement of geomembrane installation in the area under consideration.	Certificate signed by the installer and construction general contractor prior to installation of geomembrane over the subgrade.
GCL quality control certifications, test data and properties guarantee	Provide manufacturer's quality control (QC) test data for GCL material to be installed, including: Bentonite – suppliers' name and location, brand name, lot number, dated quality control information from supplier, manufacturer's test data verifying that bentonite meets manufacturer's specifications. GCL – written guarantee that GCL conforms to the technical specification requirements and test certificates for each production lot or 50,000 square feet of GCL material including roll numbers, test methods, and test results verifying compliance with the technical specification requirements for GCL.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to installation of the GCL material and approved by the IDF PM.

Submittal	Description	Requirement
Geomembrane quality control certifications, test data and properties guarantee	QC Testing shall be performed by manufacturer to demonstrate the geomembrane conforms to technical specification requirements. Prior to delivery of any geomembrane material, the manufacturer shall submit all required information listed in the technical specifications (Section 02661). QC Certification: Prior to shipment, the geomembrane manufacturer shall provide a quality control certificate for each roll of geomembrane. The quality control certificate shall be signed by a responsible party employed by the geomembrane manufacturer, such as the production manager. The quality control certificate shall include: Roll numbers and identification, resin lot, and batch numbers. Sampling procedures and results of quality control tests. As a minimum, results shall be given for thickness, asperity, tensile strength, and tear resistance in accordance with methods indicated in the technical specifications. Tests shall be conducted on each production lot of geomembrane or every 50,000 square feet, whichever results in the greater number of tests.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to installation of the geomembrane material and approved by the IDF PM.
Geotextile material certifications and test data	Provide manufacturer's QC test data for geotextile material to be installed, including: Geotextile – written guarantee that geotextile conforms to specification requirements, certification that manufacturer continuously inspected geotextile for presence of needles and found it to be needle-free, and test certificates for geotextile material including roll numbers, test methods, and test results verifying compliance with the technical specifications physical properties for geotextile. Frequency of manufacturer's QC testing shall be at the standard rate stated in the manufacturer's QC plan for each required property in the technical specifications.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to installation of the geotextile material and approved by the IDF PM.
Composite drainage net material certifications and test data	Provide manufacturer's QC test data for composite drainage net material to be installed, including: Composite drainage net – manufacturer's specification measured using appropriate test methods, written guarantee that composite drainage net conforms to specification requirements, manufacturer's QC test data for the geotextile component as specified above for geotextile, and test certificates for composite drainage net material and geonet component including roll numbers, test methods, and test results verifying compliance with the technical specification requirements for composite drainage net and geonet. Frequency of manufacturer's QC testing shall be at the standard rate stated in the manufacturer's QC plan for each required property in the technical specifications.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to installation of the composite drainage net material and approved by the IDF PM.

Submittal	Description	Requirement
Interface Shear Strength test data	Provide data prior to material shipment for the interface friction angle between the textured geomembrane and other materials (including CDN, GCL, and Admix Liner) directly in contact with the geomembrane as specified in Section 02661; and between the CDN and the operations layer as specified in Section 02373 of the technical specifications. Friction angle shall be determined by direct shear testing under fully saturated conditions (ASTM D5321 or D6243)	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to geosynthetic material shipment, reviewed, and approved by the IDF PM for conformance with project strength
	for GCL interface) at low nominal normal loads of both 100, 250, and 500 pounds per square foot (psf), and high nominal normal loads of 2,000, 8,000, and 15,000 psf, except for the CDN/Operations Layer interface which shall be reported at low normal load only. Report results for both peak and large displacement (minimum 2 inches) strength. Perform two interface shear strength tests on each interface under each set of normal loads.	requirements. Allow IDF PM a minimum 20 working days for this evaluation upon receipt of data.
Admix Liner Preparation and Placement Plan	Provide a detailed plan for preparation of the admix material, including a description of the equipment and procedures to be used, personnel qualifications, equipment calibration certificates and methods for monitoring bentonite additions and moisture conditioning. Also provide an admix liner placement plan to specify lift thickness control and to allow for required testing,	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to start of admix production for approval by IDF PM.
	described in the CQA Plan and technical specifications on the admix liner during placement operations.	
Bentonite QC certificates and test data	Provide bentonite supplier's descriptive data, specification sheets, literature, and other data as necessary to fully demonstrate that the bentonite proposed for use in the admix complies with the requirements of the technical specifications. The manufacturer shall certify that the bentonite furnished complies with these Specifications. A certificate shall be submitted to the CQA Engineer for each railcar or every three truckloads of bentonite delivered.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to start of admix production for approval by IDF PM.
Polyethylene Pipe and Fittings	Provide manufacturer's QC test data for piping and fittings that will be installed on the landfill floors and slopes.	Submitted by the construction general contractor prior to installation of the pipe for approval by the IDF PM.

SECTION 2 SOILS CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

- 2 This section discusses the CQA requirements for soil layers including fill placement, subgrade
- 3 preparation, admix liner, drain gravel, and operations layer.

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2.1 Fill Placement and Subgrade Preparation

- 5 This section of the CQA Plan addresses the soils components necessary to provide a prepared subgrade
- 6 for the liner systems and specifies the soils CQA program to be implemented with regard to materials

- selection and evaluation, laboratory test requirements, field test requirements, and corrective action
- 2 requirements.

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2.1.1 Fill Placement and Compaction

- 4 The technical specifications will be followed for the stockpiling, placement, and compaction of earth fill
- 5 and structural fill. The CQA monitor will monitor the fill placement and compaction to verify and
- 6 document the following:
 - The soil being placed meets the technical specifications requirements for earth fill and structural fill as determined by the test methods and frequencies specified within this CQA Plan and the source quality control submittals.
 - The placement surface has been prepared as specified in the technical specifications.
- The compacted lift thickness is in accordance with the requirements of the technical specifications.
 - The dry unit weight of the earth fill and structural fill meets specifications as determined by the test methods and frequencies described in Table 2-1 for earth fill and Table 2-2 for structural fill.
 - Material placed in permanent stockpiles meets the appropriate specifications for earth fill or structural fill.

2.1.2 Construction Quality Assurance Evaluation

- 18 The frequency of soils testing for CQA purposes will conform to the minimum frequencies presented in
- Table 2-1 for earth fill and Table 2-2 for structural fill. Material properties will be determined from
- samples collected either immediately after placement or from stockpiles.
- Nuclear density meter test methods will be used for the field-testing of the in situ dry unit weight of the
- 22 in-place, compacted fill. Any settlement or other defects in the fill will be backfilled and compacted in
- accordance with the technical specifications.
- 24 Standard count calibrations will be conducted to monitor the aging of the nuclear density gauge sources in
- 25 accordance with ASTM standards. Sand cone or drive sleeve tests will be conducted periodically to
- verify densities using the nuclear density gauge. Oven moisture content tests will be conducted and
- 27 compared to field moisture content results to determine a field correction factor for moisture. Sand cone
- or drive sleeve tests and in situ moisture content tests will be performed at the frequencies specified in
- 29 Tables 2-1 and 2-2.
- 30 If an in-place density test result fails to meet specifications, a confirmatory test will be performed
- 31 immediately adjacent to the failed test. If the confirmatory test meets or exceeds specifications, a second
- 32 confirmatory test will be performed at a second location immediately next to the failed test. If the second
- 33 confirmatory test also meets or exceeds specifications, the area will be declared as meeting project
- 34 specifications and the confirmatory tests will be reported. In the event that either confirmatory test fails
- 35 to meet specifications, a COA representative will determine the extent and nature of the defect by
- observations and/or additional testing, as necessary, to identify the limits of the area that does not meet
- 37 project specifications.
- 38 If a defective area is discovered in the fill, a CQA representative will determine the extent and nature of
- 39 the defect. If the defect is indicated by an unsatisfactory test result, the CQA representative will
- 40 determine the extent of the defective area by additional tests, observations, a review of records, or other
- 41 means that the CQA representative deems appropriate. If the defect is related to adverse site conditions,
- 42 such as excessively wet soils or surface desiccation, the COA representative will define the limits and
- 43 nature of the defect by testing or observation. After the extent and nature of a defect is determined and
- remedied by the construction general contractor, the CQA representative will verify that the deficiency
- 45 has been corrected by re-testing repaired areas before any additional work is performed by the
- 46 construction general contractor in the area of the deficiency.

- All confirmatory tests, failing tests, and re-tests will be recorded in the CQA representative's field book
- 2 or compaction testing form. The approximate location and elevation of each test will be recorded.
- 3 The CQA representative will document fill placement and compaction as determined by the test methods
- 4 and frequency prescribed by this CQA Plan and will report any non-conformance in accordance with the
- 5 non-conformance reporting procedures outlined in Section 8.1.4.

2.2 Prepared Subgrade

- 7 The CQA representative will verify and document that the prepared subgrade is constructed to the
- 8 elevations and grades shown in the construction drawings, with subgrade meeting the requirements of the
- 9 technical specifications as determined by the test methods and frequencies specified within this CQA
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- 11 Upon completion of the excavation of the landfill, the CQA monitor will perform the following tasks:
 - Inspect the subgrade on the side slopes and base of the landfill and note areas of weak or excessively weathered subgrade materials.
 - Observe completion of excavation and subgrade compaction prior to foundation, fill, or liner placement.
 - Observe the proof rolling of the base of the landfill and note areas that exhibit excessive rutting, heaving, or softening.
 - Observe that the surface of the subgrade is free of debris, wet and soft areas, standing water, vegetation, mud, ice, or frozen material.
 - Observe any excavation and backfilling operations associated with unsuitable material found in the prepared subgrade.
 - Verify that a survey has been conducted to further verify that the subgrade grades and elevations conform to the construction drawings.
 - Verify that the prepared subgrade material meets the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-3.
 - Verify that sampling points in the prepared subgrade are plugged or backfilled so that the prepared subgrade meets the technical specifications.
 - Document the location and volume of any unsuitable material removed from the prepared subgrade and report any non-conformance with the technical specifications in accordance with the non-conformance reporting procedures in Section 8.1.4

2.2.1 Layer Completion Certification

- 32 The construction general contractor will be required to notify the CQA representative when an area of
- 33 prepared subgrade is complete prior to constructing the overlying layer. The construction general
- contractor can proceed with the overlying layer upon acceptance of the area of prepared subgrade by the
- 35 COA representative. The COA certifying engineer will provide a certificate of layer completion to the
- 36 construction general contractor and the IDF project engineer, certifying that the area is complete.

2.3 Soil Bentonite Admix Liner and Test Pads

- 38 The soil bentonite admix liner (SBL) is composed of a mixture of base soil and bentonite material. Two
- 39 SBL test pads will include both a horizontal and a sloped test pad. The horizontal test pad will be
- 40 constructed by using the same compaction methods as that used for the production SBL, to ensure the
- SBL is constructed to meet the minimum hydraulic conductivity requirements. The sloped test pad will
- 42 be constructed on a sloping surface to verify that compaction methods (determined during the horizontal
- 43 test pad) will be adequate for the side slopes of the landfill. If necessary, the technical specifications
- and/or CQA Plan may be modified, based on the results of the test pads.

2.3.1 Test Pads

- 2 Test pads will be constructed by the construction general contractor to determine acceptable placement
- and compaction methods to produce a low permeable SBL on a horizontal surface and on a 3H:1V side
- 4 slope that satisfies the performance requirements of the technical specifications.
- 5 In addition, the mixing of the base soil and bentonite admixture using the pugmill will be tested to ensure
- 6 adequate control of the ratio of admixture components as well as the homogeneity of the completed SBL
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8 2.3.1.1 Construction Quality Assurance Evaluation

- 9 During test pad construction, the CQA representative will continuously observe and document the
- 10 construction of the test pad. These guidelines will be followed to ensure that the test pad accurately
- 11 represents the performance of the full-scale facility:
 - Construction of the test pad will use the same soil material, design specifications, equipment, and procedures as proposed for the full-scale facility.
 - The test pad length, width, and depth will be as required by the technical specifications and for the in-situ hydraulic conductivity test spacing.
 - The number of lifts used to construct the test pad will be as required by the technical specifications.
- 18 The test pad will be constructed to allow determination of the relationship among density, moisture
- 19 content, and method of compaction. Field variables can affect this relationship and must be carefully
- 20 measured and controlled, both in the test pad and during construction of the full-scale liner. At a
- 21 minimum, the following will be observed and documented:
- Track weight of base soil and bentonite during mixing operations.
- Mixing operation homogeneity.
 - Test pad configuration and dimensions.
- Compaction equipment type, configuration, and weight.
- Number of passes and speed of the compaction equipment.
- Uncompacted and compacted lift thickness.
- Weather conditions, including ambient temperature, humidity, wind speed and direction, and precipitation.
- The CQA representative will provide the necessary surveying and/or reference grid points, for adequately and expeditiously, determining the elevation and dimensions of the test pad, including each lift.
- 32 The CQA representative will be responsible for all testing, surveying, and documentation necessary to
- verify that the test pad performs in accordance with the technical specifications, and that the methods,
- 34 equipment, and materials used can achieve the same results or better during full-scale construction.
- 35 Testing methods and frequencies will be as indicated in Table 2-4. Additional tests may be conducted at
- 36 the direction of the COA certifying engineer. All tests will be conducted in accordance with the methods
- and procedures specified in Table 2-4. Tests are separately identified in Table 2-4 which are intended to
- 38 provide the following:
 - Information Only, for use in evaluating overall methods, materials, or equipment.
- Pass/Fail, which have criteria established in the technical specifications which must be met.
 - Calibration and Check, for use in calibrating instruments.
- 42 The CQA certifying engineer will compare the results of the test pad constructed on the level surface with
- 43 the results of the test pad on the side slopes. The CQA certifying engineer will recommend changes to

- 1 compaction methods, if necessary, to the IDF project engineer. The CQA certifying engineer will prepare
- 2 an interim report, which summarizes the construction and testing of the test pads.
- 3 It is important to note that an acceptable zone has been established in the technical specifications for the
- 4 allowable moisture content and density ranges that are applicable for the SBL admix to meet minimum
- 5 permeability requirements. This zone may be adjusted as a result of the test pad data obtained during
- 6 construction to reflect specific conditions observed based on the construction general contractor's
- 7 proposed blending, placement, and compaction methods. With the range of placement moisture content
- 8 and density allowed with this approach, minimum compaction effort (i.e., the number of passes a piece of
- 9 compaction equipment needs to bring the admix into the allowable moisture/density zone) will vary based
- on material conditions and placement location. Minimum compaction effort recommendations will be
- developed by the CQA certifying engineer for application to both bottom slope and side-slope admix
- 12 construction based on test pad results. However, these minimums should be considered as guidelines
- only and may need to be adjusted based on changes to admix properties (primarily moisture content), site
- 14 conditions, and compaction location as needed to bring the admix into the required acceptable zone for
- 15 compaction.

2.3.2 Soil Bentonite Admix Liner

- 17 The CQA team will verify and document that the SBL is placed to the elevations, grades, and thicknesses
- shown in the construction drawings, with bentonite-amended material meeting the requirements of the
- 19 technical specifications as determined by the test methods and frequencies specified within this CQA
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21 **2.3.2.1 Construction Quality Assurance Evaluation**

- 22 CQA testing will be performed during processing and placement of the SBL. The CQA team will
- conduct the processing and placement tests for the SBL as specified in Table 2-5. The maximum
- 24 allowable percentage of failing tests is specified in Table 2-6.

25 Processing

- The construction general contractor shall process and condition admix material using a central type
- pugmill plant as described in the technical specifications. Prior to amending the base soil with bentonite,
- 28 a CQA representative will verify and document the following:
 - Equipment and methods are the same or equivalent as determined from the test pad studies.
 - All submittals have been reviewed and approved.
 - The base soil source area (either onsite excavation or borrow area) has been approved by the design engineer, IDF PM, or IDF project engineer.
 - The mixing equipment is suitable for amending base soils with bentonite.
- The base soil does not contain rocks with dimensions in excess of those required by the technical specifications.
- 36 During processing, the CQA representative will verify and document the following:
 - The bentonite is in conformance with the technical specifications.
 - Close observation of the base soil excavation and processing is performed by the field inspector.
- The processed SBL material meets the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-5.
- The moisture content and consistency of base soil allow bentonite to be mixed uniformly.
 - Bentonite amendments are mixed uniformly with the base soil.
 - The processed SBL material is stored, protected, and allowed to cure in accordance with the conditions and minimum requirements of the technical specifications.
 - Calibration of the pugmill operation feed rate controls for bentonite, base soil, and water.

- The bentonite is mixed at the required application rate, established by the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-5.
- 3 The CQA representative will document the properties of the processed soil bentonite material, as
- 4 determined by the test methods and frequency prescribed by this CQA Plan, and will report any non-
- 5 conformance with the technical specifications, following procedures outlined in Section 8.1.4.
- 6 The CQA representative will observe processing activities including base soil excavation, bentonite
- 7 blending, and moisture conditioning.
- 8 The CQA representative will monitor the excavation of base soil from the approved borrow source or
- 9 onsite excavations. Deleterious base soil or base soil not meeting the technical specifications will be
- identified and reported to the CQA certifying engineer and not allowed in the processing area.
- 11 CQA tests will be performed on the raw bentonite used in the SBL to verify conformance to the technical
- specifications. The CQA representative will collect samples of raw bentonite delivered to the site for
- testing. The CQA laboratory technician will conduct free swell, and grain size tests of the bentonite in
- accordance with Table 2-5. If the test results of a sample fail to meet specifications, a confirmatory test
- will be performed immediately subsequent to the failed test. If the confirmatory test meets or exceeds
- specifications, a second confirmatory test will be performed. If the second confirmatory test also meets or
- exceeds specifications, the bentonite will be declared as meeting project specifications and the
- 18 confirmatory tests will be reported. In the event that either confirmatory test fails to meet specifications.
- 19 the bentonite will be rejected and removed from the site.
- 20 The CQA representative will observe mixing and test the bentonite-amended soil, prior to placing it in the
- 21 landfill.

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22 Placement

- 23 Prior to the placement of the SBL, the CQA representative will verify and document the following:
 - The test pads have been constructed with the approved liner material and production scale equipment to confirm placement and compaction procedures produce the required low-permeability admix for both on a horizontal surface and on a 3H:1V side slope.
 - All or an approved portion of the prepared subgrade meets specifications as determined by the
 test requirements of this CQA Plan and the CQA certifying engineer has issued the completion
 certificate.
 - The SBL material is free of roots, stumps, vegetation, or any other type of deleterious material that may impact the performance of the placed SBL.
 - The SBL material does not contain stones with dimensions in excess of those required by the technical specifications.
 - The SBL material meets or exceeds the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-5.
 - The moisture content of the SBL material is uniform.
- 37 During placement and compaction of the SBL, the CQA Team will verify and document the following:
 - Close observation of the placement and compaction of SBL material with earthmoving equipment is performed by the field inspectors. Inspectors to verify that means and methods are the same as those approved in the test pad process.
 - The SBL material meets the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-5 and is within the maximum allowable failure rates in Table 2-6.
- The SBL is placed in accordance with the conditions and minimum requirements of the technical specifications.

- Each lift is compacted to the required thickness and minimum dry unit weight within the range of moisture contents established by the technical specifications as determined by the CQA testing methods and frequency in Table 2-5.
 - Shelby tube samples are collected for laboratory permeability testing at the frequency specified in Table 2-5.
 - Penetrations in the SBL at testing and sampling locations are repaired in accordance with the technical specifications.
 - The SBL is maintained until it is covered by the geomembrane liner in accordance with the technical specifications.
 - In areas of inaccessibility by the compactor, in areas of nonstandard SBL placement, and/or in areas of different compaction methods, more frequent testing will be performed due to thinner lift thicknesses to achieve equivalent compactive effort. Each lift, no matter how thin, will be tested for density and moisture in accordance with Table 2-5.
- The CQA representative will document the properties of the SBL as determined by the test methods and frequency prescribed by this CQA Plan and will report any non-conformance in accordance with the non-conformance reporting, as outlined in Section 8.1.4.
- 17 The CQA representatives will collect samples immediately after a loose lift of SBL materials has been
- placed for property tests, prior to compaction. Once compacted, nuclear density gauge test methods will
- be used for testing the in situ compacted dry unit weight and moisture content of the SBL. Standard
- 20 count calibration and moisture content tests will be used to calibrate the reading of the nuclear density
- 21 gauge. Standard count calibration and in situ moisture content tests, using the oven dry method, will be
- 22 performed at the frequencies specified in Table 2-5. The results of the oven dry moisture content tests
- 23 will be compared with the field moisture content results to determine a field moisture correction factor.
- 24 The CQA representative will adjust the field moisture correction factor as test data is collected (i.e.,
- 25 moving average). The CQA representative will collect Shelby tube samples of the SBL for laboratory
- 26 permeability tests as specified in Table 2-5.

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- 27 If in-place density test results fail to meet specifications, a confirmatory test will be performed
- 28 immediately adjacent to (within 3 ft of) the failed test. If the confirmatory test meets or exceeds
- 29 specifications, a second confirmatory test will be performed at a second location immediately next to
- 30 (within 3 ft of) the failed test. If the second confirmatory test also meets or exceeds specifications, the
- area will be declared as meeting project specifications and the confirmatory tests will be reported. In the
- 32 event that either confirmatory test fails to meet specifications, additional testing will be performed to
- 33 identify the limits of the area that does not meet project specifications. All confirmatory tests, failing
- tests, and re-tests will be recorded in the COA representative's field book or compaction testing form.
- 35 The approximate location and elevation of each test will be recorded.
- Rapid laboratory permeability tests, such as the constant volume tests, will be used when possible to
- determine permeability. Once the sample has achieved the specified permeability, the test result will be
- 38 reported immediately to the CQA certifying engineer. The number of failing tests will be less than the
- 39 maximum percentage of failing tests specified in Table 2-6. The maximum percentage of failing tests are
- 40 anticipated to cover laboratory or field recording mistakes, math errors, or other unknown circumstances
- 41 that are not discovered until after the layer is covered with the succeeding layer(s). Otherwise, all failed
- 42 tests will be corrected in the field as they are observed.
- 43 If a defective area is discovered in the SBL other than a failed in-place density test, the COA
- representative will determine the extent and nature of the defect. If the defect is indicated by an
- unsatisfactory test result, the CQA representative will determine the extent of the defective area by
- 46 additional tests, observations, a review of records, or other means that the CQA representative deems
- 47 appropriate. If the defect is related to adverse site conditions, such as excessively wet soils or surface
- desiccation, the CQA representative will define the limits and nature of the defect by testing or

- 1 observation. After the extent and nature of a defect is determined and remedied by the construction
- 2 general contractor, the CQA representative will verify that the deficiency has been corrected by re-testing
- 3 repaired areas before any additional work is performed by the construction general contractor in the area
- 4 of the deficiency.
- 5 The testing frequency during the SBL construction may be increased or modified at the discretion of the
- 6 CQA certifying engineer, when visual observations of construction performance indicate potential
- 7 problems or when field experience with the proposed SBL material have been obtained.
- 8 During construction, the frequency of testing may be increased by the CQA representative during adverse
- 9 weather conditions, if equipment breaks down, at the start and finish of grading, if the material fails to
- 10 meet the requirements of the technical specifications, or if the extent of the work area is reduced.
- 11 The construction general contractor will repair all penetrations in the SBL resulting from sampling and
- 12 other COA activities, in accordance with the technical specifications. These perforations will be
- identified to the construction general contractor by the CQA representative. All repairs will be inspected
- by the CQA representative.
- 15 The construction general contractor will be required to use all means necessary to protect all prior work as
- well as all materials and completed work of other sections. In the event of damage, the construction
- 17 general contractor will be required to make immediately all repairs and replacements necessary. The
- 18 CQA representative will verify and document that all damages are repaired.

19 **2.3.2.2 Layer Completion Certification**

- 20 The construction general contractor will be required to notify the COA representative when an area of
- 21 SBL is complete, prior to constructing the overlying layer. The construction general contractor may
- begin placement of the overlying layer after acceptance of the SBL by the CQA certifying engineer.
- 23 The CQA certifying engineer will provide a certificate of layer completion to the construction general
- 24 contractor and the IDF project engineer, certifying that the area is complete.
- 25 The CQA certifying engineer will ensure all CQA tests are complete and that all defective areas have
- been repaired and re-tested in accordance with this CQA Plan and the technical specifications. The
- 27 certificate of layer completion will indicate that the SBL meets the low permeability requirement, based
- 28 on laboratory tests and the thickness of the SBL meeting the minimum requirement specified in the
- 29 technical specifications.

30 **2.4 Drain Gravel**

31 **2.4.1 Conformance Evaluation**

- 32 No CQA conformance material testing is planned for the drain gravel. Construction general contractor is
- 33 required to submit gradation test results demonstrating conformance with required material properties as
- part of source quality control, in accordance with the technical specifications.

35 **2.4.2 Placement and Compaction**

- 36 The CQA representative will verify and document that the drain gravel is constructed to the elevations,
- grades, and thicknesses shown in the construction drawings, with material meeting the requirements of
- 38 the technical specifications as determined by the test methods and frequencies specified within this COA
- 39 Plan.

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- 40 Prior to the placement of the drain gravel, the CQA representative will verify and document that:
 - The underlying geosynthetic layers are free of holes, tears, excessive wrinkles, or foreign objects.
 - All work on underlying layers is complete and accepted by the CQA certifying engineer.
- During placement and compaction of the drain gravel, the CQA representative will verify and document
- 44 the following:

- Drain gravel material satisfies the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the source quality control submittals.
 - Drain gravel material is non-angular and free of material that could damage the underlying liner materials.
 - Drain gravel material is spread during cooler portions of the day, unless otherwise approved by the CQA certifying engineer.
 - Spreading and hauling equipment and operations are in compliance with material thickness and operations requirements, given in the technical specifications.
 - If excessive wrinkles begin to develop in the underlying geosynthetics during gravel or sand placement or spreading, the wrinkles are worked out prior to continued placement operations.
 - The drain gravel is placed in a manner that will not damage underlying geosynthetics, will minimize slippage of geosynthetic layers, and will not provide excess tensile stress on the geosynthetics, in accordance with the technical specifications.
 - Close observation of the placement and compaction of drain gravel with earth moving equipment is performed.

2.4.3 Construction Quality Assurance Evaluation

- 17 No density tests will be conducted on the drain gravel. If the CQA representative suspects damage to
- pipes or underlying geosynthetic, the construction general contractor will be required to expose the
- 19 potentially damaged materials and repair any observed damage.

2.4.4 Layer Completion Certification

- 21 The construction general contractor will be required to notify the CQA representative when an area of the
- 22 LCRS or LDS drain gravel is complete, prior to constructing the overlying layer.
- 23 The construction general contractor may begin placing the overlying layer when the drain gravel is
- 24 accepted by the CQA certifying engineer. The CQA certifying engineer will provide a certificate of layer
- completion to the construction general contractor and the IDF project engineer, certifying that the area is
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2.5 Operations Layer

- 28 The CQA representative will verify and document that the operations layer, including the operations layer
- 29 material placed in the SLDS sump area, is constructed to the elevations, grades, and thicknesses shown in
- 30 the construction drawings, with material meeting the requirements of the technical specifications as
- determined by the test methods and frequencies specified within this CQA Plan.
- 32 Prior to the placement of the operations layer, the CQA representative will verify and document the
- 33 following:
 - The underlying geosynthetic layer is free of holes, tears, excessive wrinkles, or foreign objects.
 - All work on underlying layers is complete and accepted by the CQA certifying engineer.
- 36 During placement of the operations layer, the CQA representative will verify and document that:
 - The soil is suitable and satisfies the requirements of the technical specifications as determined by the test methods and frequencies prescribed in Table 2-7.
 - The operations soil is placed in accordance with the technical specifications and construction drawings.
 - The lift thicknesses and total thickness of the operations layer agree with the requirements of the construction drawings.
 - If excessive wrinkles begin to develop in the underlying geosynthetics during material placement or spreading, the wrinkles are worked out prior to continued placement operations.

- The operations layer is placed in a manner that will not damage underlying geosynthetics, will minimize slippage of geosynthetic layers, and will not provide excess tensile stress on the geosynthetics, in accordance with the technical specifications.
 - Spreading and hauling equipment and operations are in compliance with material thickness and operations requirements given in the technical specifications.
 - The operations layer is placed on the side slopes to the limits shown in the construction drawings.
 - No operations layer material is placed or compacted during periods of unfavorable weather conditions, such as after heavy rains or snow, in accordance with requirements given in the technical specifications.

2.5.1 Conformance Evaluation

- 11 The test methods and frequencies for CQA conformance testing for the operations layer are specified in
- 12 Table 2-7.

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- 13 If damage to underlying geosynthetics is suspected, the CQA representative will require that the overlying
- operations layer material be removed to expose the geosynthetics.
- 15 The construction general contractor will be required to use all means necessary to protect all prior work,
- as well as all materials and completed work of other sections. In the event of damage, the construction
- 17 general contractor will be required to make immediately all repairs and replacements necessary. The
- 18 CQA representative will verify and document that all damages are repaired.

19 2.5.2 Layer Completion Certification

- 20 The construction general contractor will be required to notify the CQA representative when an area of the
- 21 operations layer is complete. The CQA certifying engineer will provide a certificate of layer completion
- 22 to the construction general contractor and the IDF project engineer, certifying that the area is complete.

23 2.6 Soil Surveying

- 24 A survey will be performed by or under the direction of a professional land surveyor registered in the
- 25 State of Washington. The surveyor will independently survey the elevations and grades of the soil layers
- 26 including, but not limited to:
- Top of prepared subgrade.
- Top of SBL.

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- Top of LCRS drain gravel.
 - Top of operations layer.
- 31 Surveys will be performed on the base, side slopes of the landfill, to confirm that the grades and
- 32 elevations in the field agree with those shown in the construction drawings and with the minimum
- acceptable tolerances required in the technical specifications. The results of the survey, conducted by the
- surveyor, will be compiled in a report signed by the surveyor and the CQA certifying engineer.
- 35 The surveyor will be required to survey each soil layer of the liner system for the IDF landfill, in
- accordance with the requirements of this CQA Plan. A record drawing or tabular listing of surveyed
- points will be submitted to the CQA certifying engineer by the surveyor before the placement of the next
- 38 liner system layer. The surveys will be conducted at a 50-ft grid across the entire area of the survey. The
- 39 survey will include, but not be limited to, the following features of the landfill:
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- Grade breaks.
- Anchor trench.
- SLDS, LDS and LCRS sumps.

Table 2.1. Minimum Frequency of Testing for CQA Evaluation of Earthfill

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method
Material Properties	1	·
Standard proctor or maximum index density for free-draining soil	1 per 20,000 yd3 (minimum 1 per source or soil type)	ASTM D698 or ASTM D4253
Placement		
In-place wet unit weight	1 per 5,000 ft2 per lift	ASTM D2922, D1556
In-place moisture content	1 per 5,000 ft2 per lift	ASTM D3017, D2216
Standard count calibration	1 per day of fill placement	ASTM D3017/D2922
Oven moisture contents (in situ moisture content)	1 per day of fill placement	ASTM D2216

Table 2.2. Minimum Frequency of Testing for CQA Evaluation of Structural Fill

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method
Material Properties		
Standard proctor or maximum index density for free-draining soil	1 per 2,000 tons (minimum 1 per source or soil type)	ASTM 698 or ASTM 4253
Placement		,
In place moisture content	1 per 2,500 ft2 per lift	ASTM D3017, D2216
In place dry unit weight	1 per 2,500 ft2 per lift	ASTM D2922, D1556
Standard count calibration	1 per day of fill placement	ASTM D3017/D2922
Oven moisture contents (in situ moisture content)	1 per day of fill placement	ASTM D2216

Table 2.3. Minimum Frequency of Testing for CQA Evaluation of Prepared Subgrade

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method
Material Properties ^a		
Standard proctor or maximum index density for free-draining soil	1 per 250,000 ft2 (minimum 1 per source or soil type)	ASTM 698 or ASTM 4253
In Place b		
In-place wet unit weight	4 per acre (approx. 1 per 10,000 ft2)	ASTM D2922, D1556
In-place moisture content	4 per acre (approx. 1 per 10,000 ft2)	ASTM D3017, D2216
Standard count calibration	1 per day when in place tests are performed	ASTM D3017/D2922
Concrete block calibration	1 per day when in place tests are performed	ASTM D3017/D2922
Over moisture content (in situ moisture content)	1 per day when in place tests are performed	ASTM D2216

^{a.} Prior to subgrade excavation.

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b. After reaching subgrade elevation.

Table 2.4. Test Pad Testing Methods and Minimum Frequency

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method
Material Property		
Natural moisture content ^a	4 per each Base Soil type per test pad	ASTM D2216
Particle size distribution ^b	4 per each Base Soil type per test pad	ASTM D422
Standard proctor ^a	4 per each Base Soil type per test pad	ASTM D698
Bentonite dry fineness ^b	1 per test pad	Technical specification
Bentonite high swelling ^b	1 per test pad	Technical specification
Processing ^b		
Bentonite/Base Soil application rate	1 per working day of admix processing during test pad construction	Measure weight of base soil and bentonite entering pugmill during a given period of time
Maximum clod size	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Curing	1 per 12 hours	Observation
Pre Compaction ^a		1
Lift thickness	1 per lift	Field measurement
Percent fines	1 per lift	ASTM D1140
Percent gravel	1 per lift	ASTM D422
Atterberg limits	1 per lift	ASTM D4318
Placement	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Post Compaction		
Lift thickness ^b	4 per lift	Field measurement
In-place moisture content ^b	4 per lift	ASTM D3017
In-place dry unit weight b	4 per lift	ASTM D2922
Shelby tube samples ^b (laboratory permeability)	1 per lift	ASTM D1587/ASTM D5084 ^{c,d}
Number of passes ^a	Monitor each lift	Observation
Boutwell permeameter test ^b	5 for the horizontal test pad only	ASTM D6391, first stage only
Calibration and Check ^e	•	•
Standard count calibration	1 per day of fill placement	ASTM D3017/D2922
Oven moisture contents (in situ moisture content)	1 per lift	ASTM D2216
In-place dry unit weight	1 per lift	ASTM D1556, D2167, or D2937

Notes:

- a. Tests for information only
- b. Pass/fail tests
- c. The average effective confining stress will be 5 psi.
- d. Rapid turnaround tests (Method F–Constant Volume) will be used when possible.
- e. Calibration check tests

Table 2.5. Minimum Frequency of Testing for CQA Evaluation of SBL

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method
Bentonite		
Dry fineness	1 per lot	Technical specification a
High swelling	1 per lot	Technical specification
Processing		
Base soil excavation	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Base soil natural moisture content	1 per working day of hauling base material or per material color/consistency change	ASTM D2216
Base soil grain size	1 per working day of hauling base material or per material color/consistency change	ASTM D422
Bentonite/Base Soil application rate	1 per working day of admix processing	Measure weight of base soil and bentonite entering pugmill during a given period of time
Maximum clod size	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Curing c	1 per 12 hours	Observation
Pre-Compaction		
Lift thickness d	1 per 2,500 ft ² per lift	Field measurement
Percent fines	1 per 1,000 yd ³ (minimum of 1 per day of placement)	ASTM D1140
Percent gravel	1 per 1,000 yd ³ (minimum of 1 per day of placement)	ASTM D422
Atterberg limits	1 per 1,000 yd ³ (minimum of 1 per day of placement)	ASTM D4318
Placement	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Post Compaction		
Lift thickness	5 per acre per lift	Full measurement
In place moisture content	5 per acre per lift	ASTM D3017
In place dry unit weight	5 per acre per lift	ASTM D2922
Shelby tube samples (laboratory permeability)	1 per acre per lift	ASTM D1587/ ASTM D5084 e, f
Number of passes g	Observe 1 per acre per lift	Observation
Construction oversight	Periodic monitoring	Observation
Calibration and Check		
Oven moisture content (per each nuclear gauge)	1 per 10 nuclear gauge moisture contents	ASTM D2216
Standard count calibration (per each nuclear gauge)	1 per day of placement	ASTM D2922/ASTM D3017
 a. The test method is described in the tob. b. Not used. c. Curing is stockpiling the SBL materiathe bentonite to hydrate. d. A loose lift thickness is such that the 6 inches or less. 	al for 12 hours to allow f. Rapid turnaround tests (be used when possible. g. A single pass is defined	Method F – Constant Volume) will as forward and back.

1 Table 2.6. Maximum Allowable Percentage of Failed Tests for CQA Evaluation of SBL

Test	Maximum percentage
Percent gravel	5 percent not concentrated in one lift or one area
Clod size	10 percent not concentrated in one lift or one area
	3 percent not concentrated in one lift or one area, and no water content less than 2 percent or more than 3 percent of the specified value
in place dry unit weight	3 percent not concentrated in one lift or one area, and no dry unit weight less than 5 pounds per cubic foot (pcf) below the specified value
Shelby tube samples (laboratory permeability)	5 percent not concentrated in one lift or one area

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Table 2.7. Minimum Frequency of Testing for CQA Evaluation of Operations Layer

Test	Frequency	Standard Test Method		
Material Properties				
Standard proctor or maximum index density for free-draining soil	1 per 20,000 yd ³ (minimum 1 per source or soil type)	ASTM D698 or ASTM D4253		
Sieve analysis	1 per 10,000 yd ³ placed (minimum 1 per source)	ASTM D422		
In-Place (Outside edge of liner only)				
In-place wet unit weight	1 per 5,000 ft ² per lift	ASTM D2922, D1556		
In-place moisture content	1 per 5,000 ft ² per lift	ASTM D3017, D2216		
In-Place (SLDS sump)				
In-place wet unit weight	2 per lift	ASTM D2922, D1556		
In-place moisture content	2 per lift	ASTM D3017, D2216		

1 SECTION 3 GEOSYNTHETIC CLAY LINER CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

2 3.1 Geosynthetic Clay Liner Manufacture and Delivery

3 **3.1.1 Labeling**

- 4 The CQA representative will verify and document that the GCL manufacturer has labeled each roll of
- 5 GCL and includes the information required by the technical specifications. The CQA representative will
- 6 examine GCL rolls upon delivery and deviation from the above requirements will be reported to the CQA
- 7 certifying engineer prior to installation of the GCL.

8 3.1.2 Transportation and Handling

- 9 The CQA representative will observe and document that the type of GCL handling equipment used by the
- installer minimizes damage to the material. Upon delivery at the site, the CQA representative will
- 11 conduct a visual inspection of all rolls for defects and for damage. This examination will be conducted
- 12 without unrolling rolls unless visible defects or damages are found. The CQA representative will indicate
- to the CQA certifying engineer:
- Any rolls that need to be unrolled to allow for their inspection.
 - Any rolls, or portions thereof, that need to be rejected and removed from the site because they have severe flaws.
 - Any rolls that include minor repairable flaws.

18 **3.1.3 Storage**

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- 19 The CQA representative will verify and document that storage of the GCL is in accordance with the
- 20 technical specifications.

21 **3.1.4 Inventory**

- 22 All geosynthetic materials that arrive onsite will be inventoried. The inventory will include the specific
- 23 roll numbers delivered with each shipment. The inventory will be compared to the QC testing
- 24 information, supplied by the manufacturer to ensure that the material tested is the same material that was
- delivered to the site. Material for which QC testing data has been supplied will be sampled for
- 26 conformance testing. Conformance samples may be obtained by the CQA representative at the
- 27 manufacturing plant or taken upon delivery of the material to the site by a CQA representative. As
- shipments arrive at the site, a CQA representative will monitor the unloading operations and will
- inventory the material. Rolls selected for conformance testing will be set aside for sampling as soon as
- 30 possible.

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- 31 The CQA representative will record the following information, at a minimum, for each roll:
 - **Manufacturer**—Indicate the manufacturer of the material that is being inventoried, which may not be the same as the installer.
 - **Date of Inventory**—Date that the material was inventoried.
 - **Date of Delivery**–Enter date when the truck arrived onsite, if known.
- **Truck Type**—Indicate type of truck used for shipping geosynthetics (covered or uncovered flatbed, box trailer).
- **Bill of Lading Number**—If the bill-of-lading is available, indicate number and date (also attach copy to inventory form).
- **COA Representative**–Indicate name of COA representative performing inventory.
- **Unloading Equipment**–Indicate the type and model number of the equipment unloading the geosynthetic material; also note any special attachments that are used to unload the material
- 43 (stinger, straps, forks).

- 1 • Weather Conditions—Describe the weather conditions, including temperature, wind, cloud cover, 2 and precipitation during unloading and conformance sampling operation.
- 3 Material Type–Indicate type of geosynthetic material.
 - Roll Number-Indicate each roll number that is written on the roll. (The roll numbers contain a variety of information regarding the material and the manufacturing process.)
 - Lot Number-Lot number.
 - **Roll** $(L \times W)$ -Indicate the roll width as written on the roll label; if two materials are bonded together (i.e., geonet/geotextile), obtain measurements for both materials.
 - **Area** (square feet)–Indicate the total square footage of the roll.
 - Damage Remarks—Document any visible damage to the roll; if possible, indicate if damage was present prior to unloading or if it occurred during unloading.
- 12 The CQA representative will immediately notify the IDF CM if a nonconforming or conditional use tag is 13 attached to any of the inventoried items.
- 14 Items that are restricted from further use until the inspections have been completed will be clearly
- 15 delineated by the CQA representative. Accepted materials will be kept separate or clearly delineated
- 16 from inventoried and approved items, to the extent possible. The CQA representative will be responsible
- 17 for coordinating with the construction general contractor during material delivery, so that the material is
- 18 not moved more than necessary after it is unloaded and damage due to handling is minimized.
- 19 The CQA representative will perform the inventory immediately after the material arrives on the site to
- 20 avoid delaying construction. The CQA representative will be responsible for verifying that only accepted
- 21 material is installed at the IDF landfill and that all inventories and inspections are documented and
- 22 maintained.

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23 3.1.5 Quality Assurance Conformance Testing

- 24 Either at the manufacturer's plant or upon delivery of the rolls of GCL, the CQA representative will
- 25 ensure that samples are removed at the specified frequency and forwarded to the Geosynthetics CQA
- 26 Laboratory for testing, to verify and document conformance with the technical specifications.
- 27 Conformance samples will be taken across the entire width of the roll and will not include the first 3 feet
- along the length of the roll. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be 1.5 feet (minimum) long by the 28
- 29 roll width. The COA representative will mark the machine direction on the samples with an arrow.
- 30 Unless otherwise specified, samples will be taken at a rate of one per lot or one per 50,000 square feet,
- 31 whichever is greater. These samples will be tested for:
- 32 Index Flux (ASTM D5887).
 - Bentonite Mass per Unit Area (ASTM D5993).
- 34 Bentonite Swell Index Test (ASTM D5890).
- 35 The test will be conducted in accordance with the test procedure presented in the technical specifications.
- The CQA representative will examine all results from laboratory conformance testing and compare the 36
- 37 results to the specifications presented in the technical specifications. In addition, the COA representative
- 38 will report any non-conformance to the COA certifying engineer as soon as practical after the test results
- 39 become available.
- 40 The following procedure will apply whenever a sample fails a conformance test that is conducted by the
- Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory: 41
- 42 The construction general contractor will be required to replace the roll (or rolls) of GCL not in
- 43 conformance with the specifications with a roll, that meets the requirements of the technical specifications.
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- The CQA representative will ensure that conformance samples are removed for testing by the 2 Geosynthetics COA Laboratory from the closest numerical roll on both sides of the roll from 3 which the failing sample was obtained. These two samples must pass the above conformance 4 tests. If either of these samples fails to meet the requirements, samples will be collected from the five numerically closest untested rolls on both sides of the failed samples and tested by the 6 Geosynthetics COA Laboratory. These ten samples must pass the above conformance tests. If any of these samples fail, a sample from every roll of GCL onsite and a sample from every roll that is subsequently delivered from the same manufacturer must be conformance tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory until the manufacturer has thoroughly demonstrated compliance 10 with the above requirements to the sole satisfaction of the CQA certifying engineer. The costs of all such tests are to be borne by the construction general contractor.
 - The CQA representative will document actions taken in conjunction with conformance test failures as outlined in Section 8.1.4 and report all actions to the COA certifying officer.

3.2 **Geosynthetic Clay Liner Installation**

3.2.1 **Surface Preparation**

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- For fill surfaces that will underlay a GCL layer, the CQA representative will verify and document the 16 17 following:
 - The surface of the fill does not contain holes, ruts, protrusions, or other surface irregularities in excess of those dimensions specified by the technical specifications.
 - The surface of the fill has been compacted to form a firm, stable base.
 - The surface of the fill is free of any type of deleterious material that may cause damage to GCL, including debris, organic material, frozen soil, ice, and rocks.
 - The surface of the fill is free of standing water or excessive moisture.
 - The construction general contractor has certified in writing that the surface on which the GCL will be installed is acceptable.
- 26 The subgrade surface will be inspected immediately prior to commencement of GCL installation. If any
- 27 change in the surface requires repair work, in accordance with the technical specifications, the
- construction general contractor will be responsible for repairing the fill surface. 28
- 29 A certificate of subgrade surface acceptance will be required from the construction general contractor.
- The CQA representative will verify that the subgrade is accepted by the GCL installer, immediately prior 30
- to commencement of GCL installation. 31
- 32 After the surface on which the GCL is to be installed has been accepted by the construction general
- 33 contractor, it will be the CQA representative's responsibility to indicate to the CQA certifying engineer
- 34 any change in the underlying layer that may, in accordance with the technical specifications, require
- 35 repair work. If the COA certifying engineer requires that repair work be done, it will be the responsibility
- of the construction general contractor to repair the underlying layer. 36

37 3.2.2 Anchor Trenches and Sumps

- 38 Prior to placement of geosynthetics in the anchor trenches or sumps, the CQA representative will verify 39 and document the following:
 - The sumps and anchor trenches are excavated to the grades and dimensions shown in the construction drawings. Any anomalies in the soil encountered during excavation will be brought to the attention of the IDF project engineer and removed as directed.
 - The anchor trench excavation surface is prepared for installation of geosynthetics, with rounded corners, and free of loose soil or deleterious material.

- 1 After geosynthetics deployment into the anchor trench is complete, the CQA representative will verify
- 2 and document that the backfill for the geosynthetic anchor trenches is placed and compacted in
- 3 accordance with the technical specifications.

4 3.2.3 Geosynthetic Clay Liner Deployment

5 3.2.3.1 Field Panel Identification

- 6 A field panel is the unit area of GCL that is to be placed in the field (i.e., a field panel is a roll or a portion
- 7 of roll cut in the field).
- 8 The CQA representative will track the placement location of each GCL panel by assigning an
- 9 identification code (number or letter-number) or by an equivalent tracking method. The identification
- method will be agreed upon by the CQA certifying engineer and the construction general contractor. This
- field panel identification scheme will be as simple and logical as possible. (Note: manufacturing plant
- roll numbers are usually cumbersome and are not related to location in the field.) It will be the
- responsibility of the construction general contractor to ensure that each field panel placed is marked with
- the manufacturing plant roll number. The roll number will be marked in the center of the panel in a color
- 15 to allow for easy inspection.
- 16 The CQA representative will establish a table or chart showing correspondence between manufacturing
- 17 plant roll numbers and field panel identification codes. The field panel identification code will be used
- 18 for all CQA records.

19 3.2.3.2 Field Panel Placement

20 Installation Schedule

- 21 The CQA representative will evaluate significant changes in the schedule, proposed by the construction
- 22 general contractor, and will advise the CQA certifying engineer on the acceptability of that change. The
- 23 CQA representative will verify and document that the condition of the underlying layer has not changed
- 24 detrimentally during installation. Any damage to the surface of the underlying layer will be repaired by
- 25 the construction general contractor, in accordance with the technical specifications.

26 Weather Conditions

- 27 The CQA representative will verify and document that GCL is not placed during inclement weather
- 28 conditions, as specified in the technical specifications. Additionally, the CQA monitor will verify and
- document that the existing underlying layer has not been damaged by weather conditions.

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- 31 The CQA representative will visually observe each panel, after placement, for damage. The CQA
- 32 representative will inform the construction general contractor which panels, or portions of panels, are
- 33 rejected, repaired, or accepted. Damaged panels or portions of damaged panels that have been rejected by
- 34 the CQA representative will be marked, and their removal from the work area will be documented by the
- 35 CQA representative.

36 Seam Overlap and Bentonite Seal

- 37 The construction general contractor will observe and document that the seam overlaps and bentonite
- 38 material placed between panels, if required, along the seams meets specification guidelines. The CQA
- 39 representative will verify overlap width and will observe bentonite seal placement.

3.2.3.3 Field Panel Protection

- 41 The CQA representative will observe and document that the GCL is completely covered with
- 42 geomembrane or protective plastic cover at the end of each workday and protected from damage and
- 43 hydration due to weather. The CQA representative will verify and document that equipment does not
- operate directly on the GCL and that a smooth rub sheet is used to maneuver textured geomembrane over
- 45 the GCL to prevent damage to the GCL.

1 3.2.4 Defects and Repairs

2 Any defects and subsequent repairs will be documented, using NCR procedures outlined in Section 8.1.4.

3 3.2.4.1 Identification

- 4 All seams and non-seam areas of the GCL will be inspected by the CQA representative for evidence of
- 5 defects, holes, contamination of geotextiles, displaced panels, premature hydration, and any sign of
- 6 contamination by foreign matter. The CQA representative will observe and document repair procedures
- 7 described below.

8 3.2.4.2 Repair Procedures

9 Prior to cover material placement, damage to the GCL will be identified and repaired by the installer.

10 Rip and Tear Repair (Flat Surfaces)

- Rips or tears may be repaired by completely exposing the affected area, removing all foreign objects or
- soil, and by then placing a patch cut from unused GCL over the damage (damaged material may be left in
- place), with a minimum overlap of 12 inches on all edges.
- Accessory bentonite will be placed between the patch edges and the repaired material at a rate of a quarter
- pound per lineal foot of edge, spread in a continuous 6-inch fillet.

16 Rip and Tear Repair (Slopes)

- Damaged GCL material on slopes will be repaired by the same procedures as described above, however,
- 18 the overlapped edges of the patch need to be wide enough to ensure the patch will keep its position during
- 19 backfill or cover operations.

20 Displaced Panels

- 21 Displaced panels will be adjusted to the correct position and orientation. The adjusted panel will then be
- 22 inspected for any geotextile damage or bentonite loss. Damage will be repaired by the above-described
- 23 procedure.

24 Premature Hydration

- 25 If the GCL is subjected to premature hydration, the construction general contractor will notify the CQA
- 26 certifying engineer for a site-specific determination as to whether the material is acceptable or if
- 27 alternative measures must be taken to ensure the quality of the design dependent upon the degree of
- damage.

1 **SECTION 4** GEOMEMBRANE CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

Geomembrane Material 2 4.1

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- 4 The COA representative will verify and document that the geomembrane manufacturer has labeled each
- 5 roll of geomembrane and includes the information required by the technical specifications. The CQA
- 6 representative will examine geomembrane rolls upon delivery and deviation from the requirements will
- 7 be reported to the CQA certifying engineer, prior to installation of the geomembrane.

4.1.2 Transportation and Handling

- 9 Upon delivery at the site, the CQA representative will conduct a visual inspection of all rolls for defects
- 10 and damage. This examination will be conducted without unrolling rolls unless visible defects or damage
- is found. The COA representative will indicate the following to the COA certifying engineer: 11
 - Any rolls that need to be unrolled to allow for their inspection.
 - Any rolls, or portions thereof, that need to be rejected and removed from the site because they have severe flaws.
 - Any rolls that include minor repairable flaws.

16 4.1.3 Storage

- 17 The CQA representative will verify and document that storage of the geomembrane is in accordance with
- 18 the technical specifications.

19 4.1.4 Inventory

- 20 All geosynthetic materials that arrive onsite will be inventoried in accordance with the technical
- specifications. The inventory will include the specific roll numbers delivered with each shipment. The 21
- 22 inventory will be compared to the QC testing information supplied by the manufacturer to ensure that the
- 23 material tested is the same material that was delivered to the site. Material for which QC testing data has
- 24 been supplied will be sampled for conformance testing. Conformance samples may be obtained by the
- 25 CQA representative at the manufacturing plant or taken upon delivery of the material to the site by a CQA
- representative. As shipments arrive at the site, a CQA representative will monitor the unloading 26
- 27 operations and will inventory the material. Rolls selected for conformance testing will be set aside for
- 28 sampling as soon as possible.
- 29 The COA representative will record the following information, at a minimum, for each roll:
 - Manufacturer—indicate the manufacturer of the material that is being inventoried, that may not be the same as the installer.
- 32 **Date of Inventory**—Date that the material was inventoried.
 - **Date of Delivery**–Enter date when the truck arrived onsite, if known.
- 34 **Truck Type**–Indicate type of truck used for shipping geosynthetics (covered or uncovered flatbed, box trailer). 35
- Bill-of-Lading Number-If the bill-of-lading is available, indicate number and date (also attach 36 37 copy to inventory form).
 - **COA Representative**—Indicate name of COA representative performing inventory.
- 39 Unloading Equipment-Indicate the type and model number of the equipment unloading the 40 geosynthetic material; also note any special attachments that are used to unload the material (stinger, straps, forks). 41
- 42 Weather Conditions—Describe the weather conditions, including temperature, wind, cloud cover, and precipitation during unloading and conformance sampling operation. 43
 - **Material Type**–Indicate type of geosynthetic material (HDPE, geotextile, or geonet)

- **Roll Number**—Indicate each roll number that is indicated on the roll. (The roll numbers contain a variety of information regarding the material and the manufacture process.)
 - Lot Number-Lot number as indicated.
 - Roll (L × W)—Indicate the roll width as indicated on the roll label; if two materials are bonded together (i.e., geonet/geotextile), obtain measurements for both materials.
 - Area (square feet)—Indicate the total square footage of the roll.
 - **Damage Remarks**—Document any visible damage to the roll; if possible, indicate if damage was present prior to unloading or if it occurred during unloading.
- 9 Items that are restricted from further use until the inspections have been completed will be clearly
- delineated by the CQA representative. Accepted materials will be kept separate or clearly delineated
- from inventoried and approved items to the extent possible. The CQA representative will be responsible
- 12 for coordinating with the construction general contractor during material delivery, so that the material is
- 13 not moved more than necessary after it is unloaded and damage due to handling is minimized.
- 14 The COA representative will perform the inventory immediately after the material arrives onsite to avoid
- 15 delaying construction. The CQA representative will be responsible for verifying that only accepted
- material is installed at the IDF landfill, and that all inventories and inspections are documented and
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18 4.1.5 Quality Assurance Conformance Testing

- Either at the manufacturer's plant or upon delivery of the rolls of geomembrane, the CQA representative
- will ensure that samples are removed at the specified frequency and forwarded to the Geosynthetics CQA
- 21 Laboratory for testing to verify and document conformance with the technical specifications.
- 22 Conformance samples will be taken by the CQA representative across the entire width of the roll and will
- 23 not include the first 3 feet. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be 3 feet (minimum) long by the roll
- 24 width. The CQA representative will mark the direction of the machine used to cut the samples with an
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- Unless otherwise specified, samples will be taken at a rate of one per lot or one per 50,000 square feet,
- 27 whichever is greater. These samples will be tested for:
- Thickness (ASTM D5199 or D5994).
 - Tensile characteristics (yield strength and elongation at yield, ASTM D638).
- Asperity (GRI GM-12).
- Puncture resistance (ASTM D4833).
- Test will be conducted in accordance with the test procedure presented in the technical specifications.
- 33 The COA representative will examine all results from laboratory conformance testing and will report any
- 34 non-conformance after the test results become available. The following procedure will apply whenever a
- 35 sample fails a conformance test that is conducted by the CQA representative:
 - The construction general contractor will be required to replace the roll (or rolls) of geomembrane in non-conformance with the technical specifications with a roll, that meets the technical specifications.
- The CQA certifying engineer will ensure that conformance samples are removed for testing by
 the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory from the closest numerical roll on both sides of the failed roll.
 These two samples must pass the above conformance tests. If either of these samples fails,
 samples will be collected from the five numerically closest untested rolls on both sides of the
 failed sample and tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory. These ten samples must pass the
 above conformance tests.
- If any of these samples fail, a sample from every roll of geomembrane onsite and every roll subsequently delivered from the same manufacturer must be conformance tested by the

Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory, until the manufacturer has thoroughly demonstrated compliance with the above requirements to the sole satisfaction of the CQA certifying engineer. The costs of all such tests are to be borne by the construction general contractor.

4.1.6 Manufacturing Plant Site Visit

- 5 The manufacturer shall allow the CQA certifying engineer or his designated representative to visit the
- 6 manufacturing plant, if the CQA certifying engineer so chooses. If possible, the visit shall be prior to or
- during the manufacturing of the geomembrane rolls for the specific project. The CQA Engineer or his
- 8 designated representative shall review the manufacturing process, quality control, laboratory facilities,
- 9 and testing procedures as described in the technical specifications (see Section 02661).

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4.2.1 Surface Preparation

- 12 For SBL surfaces that will underlay a geomembrane layer, the CQA representative will verify and
- document the following:
 - The surface of the subgrade or SBL does not contain holes, depressions, or protrusions in excess of those dimensions specified by the technical specifications.
 - The surface of the subgrade or SBL has been rolled with a smooth-drum roller to form a firm stable base without ridges, wheel ruts, and surface irregularities.
 - The surface of the subgrade or SBL is free of any type of deleterious material that may cause damage to geomembrane.
 - The construction general contractor has certified in writing that the surface on which the geomembrane will be installed is acceptable.
- 22 The subgrade and SBL surface will be inspected immediately prior to commencement of geomembrane
- 23 installation. If any change in the surface requires repair work, in accordance with the technical
- specifications, the construction general contractor will be responsible for repairing the surface. A
- 25 certificate of subgrade surface acceptance will be required from the construction general contractor. The
- 26 CQA representative will verify that the subgrade is accepted by the geomembrane installer immediately
- 27 prior to commencement of geomembrane installation.
- After the surface on which the geomembrane is to be installed has been accepted by the construction
- 29 general contractor, it will be the CQA representative's responsibility to indicate to the CQA certifying
- engineer any change in the underlying layer that may, in accordance with the technical specifications,
- 31 require repair work. If the CQA certifying engineer requires that repair work be done, it will be the
- 32 responsibility of the construction general contractor to repair the underlying layer.

4.2.2 Anchor Trenches and Sumps

- Prior to placement of geosynthetics in the anchor trenches or sumps, the CQA representative will verify
- and document the following:
 - The excavation of the sumps and anchor trenches is performed in accordance with the technical specifications. Any anomalies in the soil encountered during excavation will be brought to the attention of the IDF project engineer and removed as directed.
 - The anchor trench excavation surface is prepared for installation of geosynthetics with rounded corners and is free of loose soil or deleterious material.
- 41 After geosynthetics deployment into the anchor trench is complete, the CQA representative will verify
- 42 and document that the backfill for the geosynthetic anchor trenches is placed and compacted in
- 43 accordance with the technical specifications and construction drawings.

1 4.2.3 Geomembrane Deployment

2 4.2.3.1 Layout Drawing

- 3 The construction general contractor will be required to produce layout drawings that show the
- 4 geomembrane panel configuration, dimensions, details, and seam locations. The layout drawings must be
- 5 approved by the CQA certifying engineer, prior to the installation of the geomembrane.

4.2.3.2 Field Panel Identification

- A field panel is the unit area of geomembrane that is to be seamed in the field (i.e., a field panel is a roll
- 8 or a portion of roll cut in the field).
- 9 The CQA representative will verify that each field panel is given an identification code (number or letter-
- 10 number) consistent with the layout plan. This identification code will be agreed upon by the COA
- 11 representative and the construction general contractor. This field panel identification code will be as
- simple and logical as possible. (Note: manufacturing plant roll numbers are usually cumbersome and are
- 13 not related to location in the field.) It will be the responsibility of the construction general contractor to
- ensure that each field panel placed is marked with the manufacturing plant roll number. The roll number
- will be marked in the center of the panel in a color to allow for easy inspection.
- 16 The CQA representative will establish a table or chart showing correspondence between manufacturing
- 17 plant roll numbers and field panel identification codes. The field panel identification code will be used for
- all CQA records.

19 4.2.3.3 Field Panel Placement

- 20 Location
- 21 The CQA representative will verify and document that field panels are installed at the locations and
- 22 positions indicated in the construction general contractor's layout plan, as approved or modified by the
- 23 CQA certifying engineer.
- 24 Installation Schedule
- 25 The CQA representative will evaluate significant changes in the schedule, proposed by the construction
- 26 general contractor, and will advise the CQA certifying engineer on the acceptability of that change. The
- 27 CQA representative will verify and document that the condition of the underlying layer has not changed
- detrimentally during installation. Any damage to the surface of the underlying layer will be repaired by
- the construction general contractor in accordance with the technical specifications.
- 30 The CQA representative will record the identification code, location, and date of installation of each field
- 31 panel.
- 32 Weather Conditions
- 33 The CQA representative will verify and document that geomembrane is not placed during inclement
- weather conditions, as specified in the technical specifications. Additionally, the CQA representative will
- 35 verify and document that the underlying layer has not been damaged by weather conditions.
- 36 Damage
- 37 The CQA representatives will visually observe each panel, after placement and prior to seaming, for
- damage (e.g., holes, blisters, and creases). The CQA representative will inform the construction general
- 39 contractor which panels, or portions of panels, need to be rejected, repaired, or accepted. Damaged panels
- or portions of damaged panels that have been rejected by the CQA certifying engineer will be marked,
- 41 and their removal from the work area will be documented by the CQA representative, using the NCR
- 42 procedures outlined in Section 8.1.4.

1 4.2.4 Field Seaming

2 **4.2.4.1 Seam Layout**

- 3 The CQA certifying engineer will verify and document that the seam layout shown in the panel layout
- 4 drawing is consistent with the technical specifications. A seam numbering system compatible with the
- 5 panel numbering system will be agreed upon by the construction general contractor and CQA certifying
- 6 engineer.

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4.2.4.2 Seaming Equipment and Products

- 8 Processes approved by the technical specifications for field seaming are extrusion seaming; and fusion
- 9 seaming. Proposed alternate processes will be required to be documented and submitted to the CQA
- 10 certifying engineer for approval. The construction general contractor will be required to use a pyrometer
- 11 to ensure that accurate temperatures of the extrudate and seamer nozzle are being achieved.
- 12 The extrusion seaming apparatus will be equipped with gauges, indicating the temperatures of the
- 13 extrudate and nozzle. The construction general contractor will be required to provide to the CQA
- certifying engineer the manufacturer's certification that the extrudate is compatible with the
- geomembrane material and is comprised of the same resin as the geomembrane.
- 16 The CQA representative will log ambient temperatures, seaming apparatus temperatures, and extrudate
- 17 temperatures or fusion seaming apparatus speeds. Ambient temperatures will be measured to verify
- 18 compliance with the technical specifications.

19 4.2.4.3 Seam Preparation

- 20 The CQA certifying engineer will verify and document the following:
- Prior to seaming, the seam area is clean and free of moisture, dust, dirt, debris, and foreign material.
- Preparation of seams is in accordance with the technical specifications.

24 4.2.4.4 Weather Conditions for Seaming

- 25 The CQA representative will verify and document that weather conditions for seaming are within the
- limits specified in the technical specifications.

27 **4.2.4.5 Trial Seams**

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- 28 The construction general contractor will be required to make trial seams on fragment pieces of
- 29 geomembrane liner to verify that seaming conditions are adequate. The construction general contractor
- will be required to make and test trial seams at the frequency and in accordance with the methods
- 31 specified in the technical specifications.
- 32 The CQA representative will observe all trial seam procedures. The trial seam samples will be assigned a
- 33 number and marked accordingly by the CQA representative, along with the date, hour, ambient
- 34 temperature, number of seaming unit, name of seamer, and pass or fail description. A sample of the trial
- 35 seam will be retained by the CQA team until the construction of the liner is complete and the liner has
- been accepted by the COA certifying engineer.

4.2.4.6 Nondestructive Seam Continuity Testing

- 38 Except as otherwise noted in the technical specifications, the construction general contractor will
- 39 nondestructively test all field seams over their full length, in accordance with the technical specifications.
- 40 The purpose of nondestructive tests is to check the continuity of seams. Continuity testing will be carried
- out as the seaming work progresses, not at the completion of all field seaming.
- 42 Nondestructive testing will not be permitted before sunrise or after sunset unless the construction general
- contractor demonstrates to the CQA certifying engineer that the construction general contractor has the

- capabilities to perform continuity testing under reduced light conditions. The CQA representative will perform the following tasks:
- Observe the continuity testing.
 - Record location, date, test unit number, name of tester, and outcome of all testing
- Document and inform the construction general contractor of any required repairs.
- The construction general contractor will be required to complete any required repairs, in accordance with the technical specifications. The CQA representative will perform the following tasks:
 - Observe the repair and re-testing of the repair.
 - Mark on the geomembrane that the repair has been made.
- Document the results.
- 11 The CQA representative will verify and document the procedures specified in the technical specifications
- where seams cannot be nondestructively tested. The location, date of visual observation, name of tester,
- and outcome of the test or observation will be recorded by the CQA representative and reported to the
- 14 CQA certifying engineer.

4.2.4.7 Destructive Seam Testing

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- 17 Destructive seam tests will be performed at selected locations. The purpose of these tests is to evaluate
- seam strength and integrity. Seam strength testing will be done as the seaming work progresses, not at
- 19 the completion of all field seaming.
- 20 Location and Frequency
- 21 The CQA representative will select locations where seam samples will be cut out for laboratory testing at
- 22 the frequency specified in the technical specifications (see Section 02661). In general, destructive tests
- 23 will be located in non-critical areas, such as seam run-out areas or near three-panel intersections or other
- areas that will require a patch anyway. In addition, because extrusion welding may be limited on a daily
- 25 basis, extrusion destructive samples may be welded after passing a trial seam on scrap material not used
- for construction. However, when significant lengths (greater than 100 feet) of seams or caps are extrusion
- welded, a destructive test of the weld will be taken.
- 28 Control charts will be used to track the performance of each welding machine and technician to allow for
- biased sampling, according to performance. An upper control limit (UCL) will be established to identify
- 30 statistically the sources of test failures. Machines and technicians whose failure rates exceed the UCL
- 31 will then be identified and destructively tested at twice the original frequency (one per 250 feet of seam
- length) to better monitor their performance. Once the failure rate drops back into compliance with the
- 33 UCL, the original testing frequency will be reinstated. Machines and technicians whose failure notes are
- below the UCL will be identified to decrease the original frequency, as approved by the CQA certifying
- 35 engineer.
- The UCL is established based on the failure rate for all destructive tests plus three standard deviations
- 37 with a ceiling of 3.5 percent. The ceiling is the maximum failure rate determined to be acceptable, as
- 38 agreed upon jointly by the construction general contractor and CQA certifying engineer. The initial UCL
- 39 will be calculated once a single machine or technician fails two destructive tests and will typically be
- 40 updated daily with the most recent destructive testing results. Destructive tests tracking a failed
- 41 destructive will not be included in the calculation of the failure rates.
- 42 Additional destructive test locations may be required during seaming operations. The necessity for such
- 43 additional sampling and testing will be determined by COA representatives and will be implemented
- 44 when there is cause to suspect the presence of excess crystallinity, contamination, offset welds, or any
- 45 other reason to suspect potentially defective seams. The location selection of the additional testing will
- 46 be based on the CQA representative's judgment and observation of a suspected problem.

- 1 The construction general contractor will not be informed in advance of the locations where the seam
- 2 samples will be taken.

3 Sampling Procedure

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- 4 The construction general contractor will be required to cut samples, as directed by the CQA representative
- 5 as the seaming progresses, in order to have laboratory test results before the geomembrane is covered by
- 6 another material. The CQA representative will perform the following tasks:
 - Observe sample cutting.
 - Assign a number to each sample and mark it accordingly.
- Record the sample number and location on the panel layout drawing.
 - Record the reason for taking the sample at this location (e.g., routine testing, suspicious feature of the geomembrane).
- All holes in the geomembrane resulting from destructive seam sampling will be covered by the
- construction general contractor immediately after sampling and will be repaired in accordance with the
- repair procedures described in the technical specifications. The continuity of the new seams in the
- repaired area will be nondestructively tested, according to the technical specifications.

16 Size of Samples

- 17 At a given sampling location, two types of samples will be taken by the construction general contractor.
- First, two specimens for field-testing will be taken. Each of these specimens will be 1 inch wide by 6 to
- 19 12 inches long, with the seam centered parallel to the width. The distance between these two specimens
- will be approximately 42 inches. If both specimens pass the field test described in the technical
- 21 specifications, a sample for laboratory testing will be taken.
- 22 The sample for laboratory testing will be required to be taken between the two specimens for field-testing.
- 23 The destructive sample will be 12 inches wide by 42 inches long, with the seam centered lengthwise. The
- sample will be cut into three parts and distributed as follows:
 - One portion to the construction general contractor, 12 inches long.
 - One portion to the IDF CM for archive storage, 12 inches long.
- One portion to the CQA certifying engineer for CQA Laboratory testing, 18 inches long.
- 28 Final determination of the sample sizes will be made at the preconstruction meeting.
- 29 Field Testing
- 30 The two 1-inch-wide specimens, as specified above, will be required to be tested in the field by the CQA
- 31 representative by tensiometer for peel and shear and need not to fail in the seam. If any field test sample
- fails to pass, the procedures outlined in the technical specifications will be followed.
- 33 The CQA representative will mark all samples and portions with their number, date, and time.
- 34 Geosynthetic Construction Quality Assurance Laboratory Testing
- 35 Laboratory destructive test samples will be packaged and shipped to the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory
- by the COA representative in a manner that will not damage the test sample. The COA representative
- 37 will store the archive samples until the completion of the project.
- 38 Testing will include "Shear Strength" and "Peel Strength" (ASTM D6392) with 1-inch-wide strip, tested
- 39 at 2 inches per minute. The minimum acceptable values to be obtained in these tests are those indicated in
- 40 the technical specifications. At least five specimens will be tested for each test method.
- Specimens will be selected alternately by test from the samples (i.e., peel, shear, peel, and shear). At least
- four out of five of the specimens for each test must pass.
- 43 The laboratory will provide test results verbally to the CQA certifying engineer in a timely manner after
- 44 they receive and test the samples. The CQA certifying engineer will review laboratory test results as soon
- as they become available and will inform the CQA certifying engineer of the test results.

1 Procedures for Destructive Test Failure

- 2 The procedures specified in the technical specifications will be required whenever a sample fails a
- destructive test, whether that test is conducted by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory or by field
- 4 tensiometer. The CQA certifying engineer will verify and document that one of the options specified in
- 5 the technical specifications is followed. The CQA representative will document all actions taken in
- 6 conjunction with destructive test failures, including preparation of NCRs, as outlined in Section 8.1.4.

7 4.2.5 Defects and Repairs

8 4.2.5.1 Identification

- 9 All seams and non-seam areas of the geomembrane will be inspected by the CQA representative for
- evidence of defects, holes, blisters, undispersed raw materials, and any sign of contamination by foreign
- matter. Because light reflected by the geomembrane helps to detect defects, the surface of the
- 12 geomembrane will be required to be clean at the time of examination. The geomembrane surface will be
- required to be swept or washed by the construction general contractor if the amount of dust or mud
- 14 inhibits examination.

4.2.5.2 Evaluation

- 16 Each suspect location both in seam and non-seam areas will be required to be either non-destructively
- 17 tested using the methods described in the technical specifications, or repaired as appropriate as
- determined by the CQA certifying engineer. Each location that fails the non-destructive testing will be
- marked by the CQA representative and will be required to be repaired by the construction general
- 20 contractor. Materials will not be placed over geomembrane locations that have been repaired until the
- 21 CQA representative has approved the repair.

22 4.2.5.3 Large Wrinkles

- When seaming of the geomembrane is completed (or when seaming of a large area of the geomembrane is
- completed) and prior to placing overlying materials, the CQA representative will visually inspect the
- 25 geomembrane for wrinkles. Based on the requirements of the technical specifications, the CQA
- 26 representative will indicate to the construction general contractor, which wrinkles, if any, are to be cut,
- overlapped, and seamed to remove the wrinkle. The seam thus produced will be tested like any other
- 28 seam.

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29 4.2.5.4 Repair Procedures

- 30 Any portion of the geomembrane either exhibiting a flaw or failing a destructive or nondestructive test
- 31 will be repaired by the construction general contractor in accordance with the applicable method specified
- 32 in the technical specifications. An NCR will be prepared to document all flaws and failed tests, as
- 33 outlined in Section 8.1.4. Each repair will be located and logged by the CQA representative.

34 4.2.5.5 Testing of Repairs

- 35 Each repair will be non-destructively tested, using the methods described in the technical specifications as
- 36 appropriate. Repairs that pass the non-destructive test will be considered adequate. Large caps may be of
- 37 sufficient extent to require destructive testing, at the discretion of the CQA certifying engineer. Failed
- tests will require the repair to be redone and re-tested until passing test results are obtained. The CQA
- 39 representative will observe the non-destructive testing of repairs and will document the date of the repair
- and test outcome.

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4.2.6 Appurtenances

- 42 The CQA representative will verify and document the following:
 - Installation of the geomembrane around, and connection of geomembrane to, appurtenances have been made according to the technical specifications or manufacturer's recommendations.

- Extreme care is taken while seaming around appurtenances, since neither non-destructive nor destructive testing may be feasible in these areas.
 - The geomembrane has not been visibly damaged while being connected to appurtenances.
- 4 The CQA representative will inform the CQA certifying engineer if the above conditions are not fulfilled.

4.3 Geomembrane Panel Layout Survey

- 6 A survey will be performed by or under the direction of a professional land surveyor registered in the
- 7 State of Washington. The surveyor will independently survey the elevations and location of each panel
- 8 intersection and destructive sample. The results of the survey conducted by the surveyor will be compiled
- 9 in a report signed by the surveyor and the CQA certifying engineer.
- 10 The surveyor will be required to survey each geomembrane panel intersection and destructive sample
- location for the IDF landfill, in accordance with the requirements of this CQA Plan. A record drawing
- will be submitted to the CQA certifying engineer by the surveyor. The survey will include enough
- information to confirm that the geomembrane layout is in accordance with the panel layout and include,
- but not be limited to, the following information:
- 15 Geomembrane panel intersections:
 - Destructive sample location and identification
 - Edge of geomembrane liner
- Panel identification numbers
- 19 Each geomembrane layer will be surveyed including, but not be limited to:
 - Secondary leak detection system geomembrane
- Secondary geomembrane
- Primary geomembrane

23 4.4 Layer Completion Certification

- 24 The construction general contractor will be required to notify the CQA representative when an area of
- 25 geomembrane is complete, prior to constructing the overlying layer. The construction general contractor
- 26 may place overlying layer after acceptance of geomembrane layer by the CQA Certifying Engineer. The
- 27 CQA certifying engineer will provide a certificate of layer completion to the construction general
- 28 contractor and the IDF project engineer, certifying that all CQA tests are complete and all defects have
- been repaired and tested.

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1 SECTION 5 GEOTEXTILE CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

2 5.1 Geotextile Material And Installation

3 **5.1.1 Labeling**

- 4 The CQA representative will verify and document that the geotextile manufacturer has labeled all rolls of
- 5 geotextile with the information specified in the technical specifications. The CQA representative will
- 6 examine rolls upon delivery, and any deviation from the requirements will be reported to the CQA
- 7 certifying engineer. Geotextile rolls that are not labeled or that have illegible labels will be removed and
- 8 disposed by the construction general contractor.

9 5.1.2 Transportation and Handling

- 10 The CQA representative will observe rolls of geotextile upon delivery at the site, and any deviation from
- the transportation and handling requirements specified in the technical specifications will be reported to
- the CQA certifying engineer. Any damaged rolls will be rejected by the CQA certifying engineer and
- required to be repaired or replaced by the construction general contractor.

14 **5.1.3 Storage**

- 15 The CQA representative will verify and document that storage of the geotextile is in accordance with the
- 16 technical specifications.

17 **5.1.4 Inventory**

- All geotextile materials that arrive onsite will be inventoried. The inventory will include the specific roll
- 19 numbers delivered with each shipment. The inventory will be compared to the QC testing information,
- supplied by the manufacturer to ensure that the material tested is the same material that was delivered to
- 21 the site. Material for which QC testing data has been supplied will be sampled for conformance testing.
- 22 Conformance samples may be obtained by the CQA representative at the manufacturing plant or taken
- 23 upon delivery of the material to the site by a CQA representative.
- 24 As shipments arrive at the site, a CQA representative will monitor the unloading operations and will
- 25 inventory the material. Rolls selected for conformance testing will be set aside for sampling as soon as
- 26 possible.

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- 27 The CQA representative will record the following information, at a minimum, for each roll:
 - **Manufacturer**—Indicate the manufacturer of the material that is being inventoried, that may not be the same as the installer.
 - **Date of Inventory**—Date that the material was inventoried.
- **Date of Delivery**–Enter date when the truck arrived onsite, if known.
- **Truck Type**—Indicate type of truck used for shipping geosynthetics (covered or uncovered flatbed, box trailer).
- **Bill-of-Lading Number**—If the bill-of-lading is available, indicate number and date (also attach copy to inventory form).
 - CQA Representative—Indicate name of CQA representative performing inventory.
 - Unloading Equipment—Indicate the type and model number of the equipment unloading the geosynthetic material; also note any special attachments that are used to unload the material (stinger, straps, forks).
- **Weather Conditions**—Describe the weather conditions, including temperature, wind, cloud cover, and precipitation during unloading and conformance sampling operation.
 - **Material Type**–Indicate type of geosynthetic material.
- **Roll Number**–Indicate each roll number that is indicated on the roll.
- **Lot Number**–Lot number.

- Roll (L × W)—Indicate the roll width as indicated on the roll label; if two materials are bonded together (i.e., geonet/geotextile), obtain measurements for both materials.
 - Area (square feet)—Indicate the total square footage of the roll.
 - **Damage Remarks**—Document any visible damage to the roll; if possible, indicate if damage was present prior to unloading or if it occurred during unloading.
- 6 Items that are restricted from further use until the inspections have been completed will be clearly
- 7 delineated by the CQA representative. Accepted materials will be kept separate or clearly delineated
- 8 from inventoried and approved items to the extent possible. The CQA representative will coordinate with
- 9 the construction general contractor during material delivery so that the material is not moved more than
- 10 necessary after it is unloaded and damage due to handling is minimized.
- 11 The CQA representative will perform the inventory immediately after the material arrives onsite to avoid
- 12 delaying construction. The CQA representative will be responsible for verifying that only accepted
- material is installed at the IDF landfill and that all inventories and inspections are documented and
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5.1.5 Conformance Testing

- 16 Either at the manufacturer's factory or upon delivery of the geotextile rolls, the CQA representative will
- ensure that samples are removed and forwarded to the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory for testing to
- verify and document conformance with the requirements of the technical specifications. Conformance
- samples will be taken across the entire width of the roll and will not include the first 3 feet along the edge
- of the roll. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be 3 feet (minimum) long by the roll width. The
- 21 COA representative will mark the machine direction on the samples with an arrow.
- 22 Samples will be taken at a rate of one per material lot or one per 50,000 square foot, whichever is greater.
- 23 These samples will be tested for the following:
- Permittivity (ASTM D4491, Type 1 only).
- Grab strength (ASTM D4632).
- Tear strength (ASTM D4533).
- Puncture strength (ASTM D4833).
- 28 The CQA representative will examine all results of laboratory conformance testing and report any non-
- 29 conformance to the CQA certifying engineer as soon as results become available. The following
- 30 procedure will apply whenever a sample fails a conformance test that is conducted by the Geosynthetics
- 31 CQA Laboratory:

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- The construction general contractor will replace the roll (or rolls) of geotextile not in conformance with the specifications with a roll, that meets the requirements of the technical specifications.
- The CQA representative will ensure that conformance samples are removed for testing by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory from the closest numerical roll on both sides of the roll from which the failing sample was obtained. These two samples must pass the above conformance tests. If either of these samples fails to meet the requirements, samples will be collected from the five numerically closest untested rolls on both sides of the failed sample and tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory. These ten samples must pass the above conformance tests. If any of these samples fail, a sample from every roll of geotextile onsite and a sample from every roll that is subsequently delivered from the same manufacturer must be conformance tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory, until the manufacturer has thoroughly demonstrated compliance with the above requirements to the sole satisfaction of the CQA certifying engineer. The costs of all such tests are to be borne by the construction general contractor.

- 1 The CQA representative will document actions taken in conjunction with conformance test failures and
- 2 report all actions taken to the COA certifying engineer. Failed tests will be documented using NCR
- 3 procedures, outlined in Section 8.1.4.

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- 5 The construction general contractor will be required to handle all geotextile material in such a manner as
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- 7 It will be the CQA representative's responsibility to indicate to the CQA certifying engineer any change
- 8 in the underlying layer that may, in accordance with the technical specifications, require repair work. If
- 9 the CQA certifying engineer requires that repair work be done, it will be the responsibility of the
- 10 construction general contractor to repair the underlying layer.
- 11 The CQA representative will verify and document compliance with the following:
 - Just prior to geotextile placement, the layer that underlies the geotextile, if it is a geosynthetic, is clean and free of excessive amounts of dust, dirt, stones, rocks, or other obstructions that could potentially damage the liner system.
 - In the presence of excessive wind, the geotextile is weighted with sandbags (or equivalent weight approved by the CQA representative).
 - Geotextile is kept under tension to minimize the presence of wrinkles in the geotextile. If necessary, the geotextile is positioned by hand after being unrolled to minimize wrinkles.
 - Geotextile is cut using a geotextile cutter approved by the geotextile manufacturer and the CQA representative. If in place, special care is taken to protect other materials (such as underlying geosynthetics) from damage that could be caused by the cutting of the geotextiles.
 - The construction general contractor takes any necessary precautions to prevent damage to the underlying layers during placement of the geotextile.
 - During placement of geotextile, care is taken not to entrap stones, excessive dust, or moisture that could damage the underlying layers, generate clogging of drains or filters, or hamper subsequent seaming.
 - Geotextile is not left exposed for an excess of 14 days after placement, to prevent damage from exposure to ultraviolet radiation (sunlight). If the geotextile is exposed for more than 14 days, a temporary cover may be deployed for the duration of the delay or samples may be submitted to an independent testing laboratory to ensure that detrimental levels of UV degradation have not occurred. Test results shall be submitted to CQA certifying engineer for review and approval. Detrimental level of UV degradation is defined in the technical specifications (see Section 02371).
- The CQA representative will document any non-compliance with the above requirements and report them to the CQA certifying engineer.

36 **5.1.7 Seams and Overlaps**

- 37 The CQA representative will verify and document that all geotextile seams are oriented and overlapped,
- in accordance with the technical specifications. The construction general contractor will be required to
- 39 pay close attention at seams to ensure that no protective soil layer material could be inadvertently placed
- 40 beneath the geotextile.

41 **5.1.8 Repair**

- 42 The CQA representative will verify and document that any holes or tears in the geotextile are repaired, in
- 43 accordance with the requirements of the technical specifications. The CQA representative will document
- 44 any noncompliance with the above requirements and report it to the CQA certifying engineer.

1 SECTION 6 COMPOSITE DRAINAGE NET CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

2 6.1 Composite Drainage Net Material and Installation

3 **6.1.1 Labeling**

- 4 The CQA representative will verify and document that the composite drainage net manufacturer has
- 5 labeled all rolls of composite drainage net as specified in the technical specifications. The CQA
- 6 representative will examine rolls upon delivery, and any deviation from the above requirements will be
- 7 reported to the CQA certifying engineer prior to installation of the composite drainage net.

8 6.1.2 Transportation and Handling

- 9 The CQA representative will observe rolls of composite drainage net upon delivery at the site, and any
- deviation from the requirements of the technical specifications will be reported to the COA certifying
- engineer. Any damaged rolls will be rejected by the CQA representative and be required to be repaired or
- replaced by the construction general contractor.

13 **6.1.3 Storage**

- 14 The CQA representative will verify and document that the storage of the composite drainage net is in
- accordance with the technical specifications.

16 **6.1.4 Inventory**

- 17 All CDN that arrive onsite will be inventoried. The inventory will record the specific roll numbers
- delivered with each shipment. The inventory will be compared to the QC testing information supplied by
- 19 the manufacturer, to ensure that the material tested is the same material that was delivered to the site.
- 20 Material for which QC testing data has been supplied will be sampled for conformance testing.
- 21 Conformance samples may be obtained by the CQA representative at the manufacturing plant or taken
- 22 upon delivery of the material to the site by a CQA representative.
- As shipments arrive at the site, a CQA representative will monitor the unloading operations and will
- 24 inventory the material. Rolls selected for conformance testing will be set aside for sampling as soon as
- possible.

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- 26 The COA representative will record the following information, at a minimum, for each roll:
 - **Manufacturer**—Indicate the manufacturer of the material that is being inventoried that may not be the same as the installer.
 - **Date of Inventory**—Date that the material was inventoried.
 - **Date of Delivery**–Enter date when the truck arrived onsite, if known.
- **Truck Type**–Indicate type of truck used for shipping geosynthetics (covered or uncovered flatbed, box trailer).
- **Bill-of-Lading Number**—If the bill-of-lading is available, indicate number and date (also attach copy to inventory form).
 - **CQA Representative**–Indicate name of CQA representative performing inventory.
- Unloading Equipment—Indicate the type and model number of the equipment unloading the geosynthetic material; also note any special attachments that are used to unload the material (stinger, straps, forks).
 - **Weather Conditions**—Describe the weather conditions, including temperature, wind, cloud cover, and precipitation during unloading and conformance sampling operation.
- **Material Type**–Indicate type of geosynthetic material (high-density polyethylene, geotextile, or geonet).
 - **Roll Number**–Indicate each roll number that is written on the roll.
- **Lot Number**–Lot number as indicated.

- Roll (L × W)—Indicate the roll width as indicated on the roll label; if two materials are bonded together (i.e., geonet/geotextile), obtain measurements for both materials.
 - **Area** (**square feet**)–Indicate the total square footage of the roll.
 - **Damage Remarks**—Document any visible damage to the roll; if possible, indicate if damage was present prior to unloading or if it occurred during unloading.
- 6 Items that are restricted from further use until the inspections have been completed will be clearly
- 7 delineated by the CQA representative. Accepted materials will be kept separate or clearly delineated
- 8 from inventoried and approved items to the extent possible. The CQA representative will coordinate with
- 9 the construction general contractor during material delivery so that the material is not moved more than
- 10 necessary after it is unloaded and damage due to handling is minimized.
- 11 The CQA representative will perform the inventory immediately after the material arrives onsite to avoid
- 12 delaying construction. The CQA representative will be responsible for verifying that only accepted
- material is installed at the IDF landfill and that all inventories and inspections are documented and
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6.1.5 Conformance Testing

- 16 Either at the manufacturer's plant or upon delivery of the composite drainage net rolls, the CQA
- 17 representative will ensure that samples are removed and forwarded to the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory
- for testing, to verify and document conformance with the requirements of the technical specifications.
- 19 Conformance samples will be taken across the entire width of the roll and will not include the first 3 feet.
- 20 Unless otherwise specified, samples will be 3 feet long (minimum) by the roll width. The CQA
- 21 representative will mark the machine direction on the samples with an arrow.
- Samples will be taken at a rate of one per lot or one per 50,000 square feet, except as noted otherwise
- below, whichever is greater. The geonets will be tested for the following:
- Polymer specific gravity (ASTM D1505).
- Thickness (ASTM D5199).
 - Nominal transmissivity (ASTM D4716 one per production lot).
- 27 The composite drainage nets will be tested for the following:
- Adhesion (GRI-GC7 or ASTM D413).
- Transmissivity (ASTM D4716 one per production lot).
- The CQA representative will examine all results from laboratory conformance testing and will report any non-conformance to the CQA certifying engineer as soon as the results become available.
- The following procedure will apply whenever a sample fails a conformance test that is conducted by the
- 33 Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory:
- The construction general contractor will be required to replace the roll (or rolls) of composite drainage net not in conformance with the specifications with a roll that meets the requirements of the technical specifications.
- The CQA representative will ensure that conformance samples are removed for testing by the
- Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory from the closest numerical roll on both sides of the failed roll.
- These two samples must pass the above conformance tests. If either of these samples fails,
- samples will be collected from the five numerically closest untested rolls on both sides of the
- failed sample and tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory. These ten samples must pass the
- 42 above conformance tests.
- 43 If any of these samples fail, a sample from every roll of composite drainage net onsite and a
- 44 sample from every roll that is subsequently delivered from the same manufacturer must be
- 45 conformance tested by the Geosynthetics CQA Laboratory, until the manufacturer has thoroughly

- demonstrated compliance with the above requirements to the sole satisfaction of the CQA certifying engineer. The cost of such tests is to be borne by the construction general contractor.
- 3 The CQA representative will document actions taken in conjunction with conformance test failures and
- 4 report all actions to the CQA certifying engineer. Failed tests will be documented using NCR procedures,
- 5 outlined in Section 8.1.4.

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6.1.6 Deployment

- 7 The construction general contractor will be required to handle all composite drainage net in such a
- 8 manner as to ensure that it is not damaged.
- 9 The construction general contractor (responsible for composite drainage net installation) will be required
- 10 to certify in writing that the surface on which the composite drainage net will be installed is complete and
- acceptable. A certificate of partial completion will be given by the construction general contractor to the
- 12 CQA representative, who will then verify to the CQA certifying engineer that the deployment surface is
- complete, prior to commencement of composite drainage net installation.
- 14 After the surface on which the composite drainage net is to be installed has been accepted by the
- 15 construction general contractor, the CQA representative will have responsibility to indicate to the CQA
- certifying engineer any change in the underlying layer that may, in accordance with the technical
- specifications, require repair work. If the CQA certifying engineer requires that repair work be done, it
- will be the responsibility of the construction general contractor to repair the underlying layer.
- 19 The CQA representative will verify and document compliance with the following:
 - Just prior to composite drainage net placement, the layer that will underlie the composite drainage net is clean and free of excessive amounts of dust, dirt, stones, rocks, or other obstructions that could potentially damage the underlying layers or clog the drainage system.
 - In the presence of excessive wind, the composite drainage net is weighted with sandbags (or equivalent weight approved by the CQA certifying engineer).
 - Composite drainage net is kept under tension to minimize the presence of wrinkles in the composite drainage net. If necessary, the composite drainage net is positioned by hand after being unrolled, to minimize wrinkles.
 - Composite drainage net is cut using a composite drainage net cutter, approved by the composite drainage net manufacturer and the CQA representative. If in place, special care is taken to protect other materials from damage that could be caused by the cutting of the composite drainage net.
 - The construction general contractor takes all necessary precautions to prevent damage to the underlying layers during placement of the composite drainage net.
 - Composite drainage net is not welded to geomembranes.
 - During placement of clean composite drainage net, care is taken not to entrap stones, excessive dust, or moisture that could damage the underlying geomembrane, generate clogging of drains or filters, or hamper subsequent seaming.
 - A visual examination of the composite drainage net is carried out over the entire surface, after installation, to ensure that no potentially harmful foreign objects, such as needles, are present.
 - Composite drainage net is not left exposed for an excess of 14 days after placement, to prevent damage from exposure to ultraviolet radiation (sunlight).
- The CQA representative will document any noncompliance with the above requirements and report it to the CQA certifying engineer.

6.1.7 Seams and Overlaps

- 44 The components of the composite drainage net (e.g., geotextile-geonet-geotextile) are not bonded together
- 45 at the ends and edges of the rolls. The CQA representative will document that the composite drainage net
- is overlapped and secured in accordance with the technical specifications.

1 **6.1.8 Repair**

- 2 The CQA representative will verify that any holes or tears in the composite drainage net are repaired, in
- 3 accordance with the technical specifications. The CQA representative will observe any repair, document
- 4 any noncompliance with the above requirements, and report the noncompliance to the CQA certifying
- 5 engineer. Repair areas will be documented using NCR procedures, outlined in Section 8.1.4.

SECTION 7 POLYETHYLENE PIPE AND FITTINGS CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

7.1 Pipe and Fittings

- 4 The CQA representative will monitor the placement of the LCRS, LDS, and SLDS pipe, located on the
- 5 IDF landfill floor and on the landfill slopes.

7.1.1 Labeling

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- 7 The CQA representative will verify that the pipe is labeled with the information specified in the technical
- 8 specifications. Any deviations from the labeling requirements will be reported to the CQA certifying
- 9 engineer prior to pipe installation.

10 7.1.2 Transportation and Handling

- 11 The CQA representative will verify and document that the pipe and fittings are handled in accordance
- with the technical specifications. The CQA representative will visually inspect the pipe upon delivery at
- the site, and any deviations from the requirements of the technical specifications will be reported to the
- 14 CQA certifying engineer.

15 **7.1.3 Storage**

- 16 The CQA representative will verify and document that storage of the pipe and fittings is in accordance
- with the technical specifications.

18 **7.1.4 Inventory**

- 19 The CQA representative will inventory the polyethylene piping and fitting, delivered to the site that will
- 20 be installed at the bottom and on the slopes of the landfill. The CQA representative will perform the
- 21 following tasks:

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- Verify the material for conformance with the technical specifications and construction drawings.
 - Verify slot dimensions for conformance with the technical specifications.
 - Check the material for damage, mishandling, and adverse exposure.
- 25 Items that are restricted from further use until the inspections have been completed will be clearly
- delineated by the CQA representative. Accepted materials will be kept separate from inventoried and
- 27 approved items, to the extent possible. The CQA representative will be responsible for coordinating with
- 28 the construction general contractor during material delivery, to limit the material being moved more than
- 29 necessary after it is unloaded and thereby minimizing damage due to handling.
- 30 The CQA representative will perform the inventory immediately after the material arrives onsite to avoid
- delaying construction. The CQA representative will be responsible for verifying that only accepted
- 32 material is installed at the IDF landfill, and that all inventories and inspections are documented and
- 33 maintained.

34 7.1.5 Conformance Testing

35 No conformance testing will be conducted on the materials delivered to the site.

36 7.1.6 Handling and Laying

- 37 The CQA representative will verify and document that the pipe is installed at the specified locations,
- 38 grades, and angles, and that placement of backfill around and over the pipe is conducted in accordance
- 39 with the requirements of the technical specifications and in a manner intended to prevent damage to the
- 40 pipe.
- 41 The pipe and fittings will be carefully examined before installation by the CQA representative. The CQA
- 42 representative will verify and document that cracks, damage, or defects are not present in the pipe and
- fittings in excess of that allowed by the technical specifications.

- 1 The CQA representative will also note the condition of the interior of pipes and fittings. Foreign material
- 2 will be removed from the pipe interior before it is moved into final position. No pipe will be permitted to
- 3 be placed until the CQA representative has observed the condition of the pipe. The CQA representative
- 4 will document any deviation from the requirements and report it to the CQA certifying engineer.

7.1.7 Joints and Connections

- 6 Lengths of pipe will be required to be assembled into suitable installation lengths by the butt-fusion
- 7 process. Butt-fusion refers to the butt joining of the pipe by softening the aligned faces of the pipe ends
- 8 in a suitable apparatus and pressing them together under controlled pressure. The CQA representatives
- 9 will spot-monitor butt-fusion welding operations to ensure that the construction general contractor
- follows the technical specifications for both slotted and solid pipes. The CQA representative will verify
- that internal weld beads have been removed from the horizontal and side slope sections of the LCRS,
- 12 LDS, and SLDS riser pipes. The CQA representative will document any noncompliance with the
- requirements and report it to the CQA certifying engineer.

14 **7.1.8 Surveying**

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- 15 A survey will be performed by or under the direction of a professional land surveyor registered in the
- 16 State of Washington. The surveyor will independently survey the final elevation and alignment of the top
- of the pipe and fittings. Surveys will be performed on all pipe locations within the footprint of the landfill
- 18 to confirm that the alignment and elevations in the field agree with those shown in the construction
- drawings. The results of the survey will be compiled in a report signed by the surveyor and the CQA
- 20 certifying engineer.
- 21 The surveyor will be required to survey each pipe location within the IDF landfill, in accordance with the
- 22 requirements of this CQA Plan. A record drawing will be submitted to the CQA certifying engineer by
- 23 the surveyor before placement of the next liner system layer. The surveys will be conducted every 50 feet
- 24 along the pipe alignment and appurtenances. The survey will include enough information to confirm that
- the following features of the landfill piping are constructed in accordance with the construction drawings:
- Beginning and end top of pipe elevations
- Connection location
- Grade breaks
- Riser pipes
 - Sump extensions
- 31 The piping that will be surveyed will include, but not be limited to, the following:
- SLDS piping
- LDS piping
- LCRS piping
- 35 The CQA certifying engineer will approve the survey results for each layer before the subsequent
- 36 component of the lining system is constructed.

SECTION 8 CONSTRUCTION QUALITY ASSURANCE DOCUMENTATION AND CERTIFICATION

8.1 Documentation and Certification

- 4 A major function of CQA is to properly and adequately document and certify the work. This section
- 5 describes the minimum required documentation. The CQA certifying engineer may recommend to the
- 6 IDF CM additional documentation for performing CQA tasks that are for certification. In addition, the
- 7 CQA certifying engineer will prepare forms, field data sheets, sample labeling schemes, and chain-of-
- 8 custody procedures and submit them to the IDF CM and IDF PM for approval, prior to construction.

9 8.1.1 Daily Reports

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- Daily reports will be completed by the CQA representatives when they are onsite. All CQA personnel
- will be assigned field books by the CQA certifying engineer that will be labeled with a unique number.
- 12 The CQA representatives, including the CQA certifying engineer, will record all field observations and
- the results of field tests in their assigned field book. When not in use, all field books will be left in the
- 14 field records file. After each book is filled (or at the end of the project), the field book will be returned to
- the CQA certifying engineer and routed to the project files.
- 16 Each page of the field book will be numbered, dated, and initialed by CQA personnel. At the start of a
- 17 new work shift, CQA personnel will list the following information at the top of the page:
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- 19 Job number
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- Weather conditions
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- 24 The remaining individual entries will be prefaced by an indication of the time at which they occurred. If
- 25 the results of test data are being recorded on separate sheets, it will be noted in the field book. Entries in
- the field book will include, but not be limited to, the following information:
- Reports on any meetings held and their results.
 - Equipment and personnel being used in each location, including construction general contractors.
- Descriptions of areas being observed and documented.
 - Descriptions of materials delivered to the site, including any quality verification (vendor certification) documentation.
 - Descriptions of materials incorporated into construction.
- Calibrations, or recalibrations, of test equipment, including actions taken as a result of recalibration.
 - Decisions made regarding use of material and/or corrective actions to be taken in instances of substandard quality.
 - Unique identifying sheet numbers of inspection data sheets and/or problem reporting and corrective measures reports used to substantiate the decisions described in the preceding item
- 39 At the end of each day, the field CQA monitor will summarize the day's activities on a daily field
- 40 monitoring report form. The field report will include a brief summary of the day's activities and highlight
- 41 any unresolved issues that must be addressed by the COA certifying engineer or by COA representatives
- 42 the following day.
- The daily field monitoring report will be filled out in triplicate. The CQA monitor will attach three copies
- of the field book notes for that day. The three copies will be distributed as follows:

- Original will be filed in field office.
- One copy will be transmitted to the CQA certifying engineer.
- One copy will be transmitted to the IDF CM.
- 4 The CQA certifying engineer will review and initial each summary field report before distributing to the
- 5 project quality records and the IDF CM.

6 8.1.2 Inspection Data Sheets

- All observed field and laboratory test data will be recorded on an inspection data sheet. At a minimum,
- 8 each inspection data sheet will include the following information:
 - Unique identifying sheet number for cross-referencing and document control.
- Description of the inspection activity.
- If appropriate, location of inspection activity or location from which the sample was obtained.
- Type of inspection activity and/or procedure used (reference to standard method when appropriate).
- Any recorded observation or test data, with all necessary calculations.
 - Results of the inspection activity and comparison with specification requirements.
- Identification of any personnel involved in the inspection activity.
- Signature of the individual(s) performing the CQA representative activity and concurrence by the CQA certifying engineer.
 - Identification of deficiencies and any required reinspections.
- 20 Forms used for the data sheets will be prepared and submitted to the IDF CM and IDF PM in accordance
- with this section. The data sheets will include, but are not limited to, the forms listed below:
- Sample log

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- Compaction test result log
- Soil test result summary form
- Equipment calibration log

26 8.1.3 Record Drawing Maintenance

- 27 The construction general contractor will maintain a complete set of construction drawings labeled
- 28 "Red-Line" as-built drawings. At the completion of the project, the as-built drawings pertaining to the
- 29 work certified under this CQA Plan will be produced in electronic format and submitted to the CQA
- 30 certifying engineer. The CQA certifying engineer will review the completed set of as-built drawings and
- 31 certify the drawing set as the record drawings for the IDF.

8.1.4 Non-Conformance Reporting

- 33 Deficiencies/defects identified by in-process testing may be reworked in accordance with the technical
- 34 specifications or CQA Plan to correct the deficiency without initiating the NCR process (i.e., failed
- 35 compaction test or failed geomembrane destructive test), and in-process tests will be tracked by the COA
- 36 representative until it is corrected. A non-conformance is considered to be a deficiency in characteristics,
- 37 documentation, or procedures that renders the quality of an item or activity unacceptable or indeterminate.
- 38 All deficiencies, defects, damage, or test failures that are not corrected by in-process rework will be
- 39 considered a non-conformance and will be documented on a Non-Conformance Report (NCR) form. The
- 40 non-conformance will be referred to the IDF CM, for disposition and initiation of corrective action
- 41 processes.
- 42 All NCR situations will be brought to the attention of the IDF CM for concurrence, prior to initiating the
- 43 NCR.

- 1 Upon issuance of the non-conformance report, the IDF CM will notify the IDF design engineer, IDF
- 2 quality engineer, and IDF PM that the report has issued. Other individuals, as directed by the IDF PM,
- 3 will participate in NCR disposition, resolution, and corrective action processes as needed. All
- 4 documentation relating to NCR situations will be retained in the project quality records.

8.1.5 Resolution of Contract Document Questions and Clarifications

- 6 Request for Information (RFI) forms will be provided to the CQA certifying engineer for the purpose of
- 7 submitting written requests to the IDF CM, for assistance in understanding the design intent of the
- 8 contract documents. The CM will determine whether the IDF design engineer's technical support staff
- 9 will address the RFI.

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- 10 RFIs initiated by the construction general contractor will be addressed by the IDF project engineer and
- 11 CM, not by the CQA certifying engineer, and are not in the scope of the CQA Plan.
- Any RFIs that result in contract document changes will be incorporated by the IDF CM and PM,
- following the procedures outlined in Section 8.1.6.

14 8.1.6 Construction Change Order and Contract Document Changes

- Requests for changes to the technical specifications or construction drawings will be referred to the IDF
- 16 CM and initiated as a change order. All change orders and resulting design changes will be approved by
- 17 the appropriate project team member prior to implementation, as outlined in procedure HNF-IP-0842,
- 18 Volume 4., Section 4.29 (Engineering Document Change Control Requirements). Requests for
- modifications to the CQA Plan will also be made by completing a change order to the IDF CM and
- 20 procurement agent, with copies to the IDF quality engineer and IDF project engineer.
- 21 If, during the course of construction, questions arise regarding interpretation of the plans and/or
- specifications, the IDF CM will be contacted by the CQA certifying engineer. Any clarification of the
- construction drawings will be documented by a change order, if necessary, or by telephone conversation
- records or meeting minutes, and routed to the IDF design engineer, IDF CM, and IDF PM. The change
- order will also be routed to the project files.

26 8.1.7 Progress Reports

- 27 The CQA certifying engineer will prepare a summary progress report each week, or at time intervals
- established at the pre-construction meeting. At a minimum, this report will include the following
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- A unique identifying sheet number for cross-referencing and document control.
- The date, project name, location, and other information.
- A summary of work activities accomplished during the progress reporting period.
 - Identification of areas or items inspected and/or tested during the reporting period that are addressed by the report.
 - A summary of the quality characteristics being evaluated, with appropriate cross-references to technical specifications and/or construction drawings.
 - References to the technical specifications or construction drawings defining the acceptance criteria for each inspected characteristic.
 - A summary of inspection and test results, failures, and re-tests.
 - A summary of construction situations, deficiencies, and/or defects occurring during the progress reporting period.
- A summary of other problem resolutions and dispositions.
- The signature of the CQA certifying engineer.

- 1 The progress report will be submitted to the IDF PM no more than two days after the last reporting day in
- the progress report. Copies will also be submitted to the IDF PM. IDF quality engineer, and construction
- 3 general contractor.

4 8.1.8 Final Documentation and Certification

- 5 All daily inspection summary reports, inspection sheets, problem identification and corrective measures
- 6 reports, acceptance reports, change orders, NCRs, photographic records, progress reports, construction
- 7 drawings, construction drawing revisions, and other pertinent documentation will be retained as
- 8 permanent project quality records. At the completion of the project, a final CQA report that incorporates
- 9 all such information, along with as-built drawings, will be prepared by the CQA certifying engineer and
- submitted to the IDF PM. The CQA certifying engineer will prepare an interim report for construction
- and testing of the test pads. A final COA report and certification letter will be completed at the end of the
- construction that will fulfill the CQA certification requirements specified in WAC 173-303-335(4).
- 13 The CQA certifying engineer will coordinate the completion of the as-built record drawings that will be
- generated by a land surveyor licensed in the State of Washington. The as-built records will include scale
- drawings depicting depths, plan dimensions, elevations, fill thicknesses, and geosynthetic panel layouts.
- 16 The report will include documentation of each construction component monitored by CQA personnel and
- will be signed, stamped, and certified by the CQA certifying engineer.

8.1.9 Storage of Records

- 19 During the construction of the IDF, the CQA certifying engineer will be responsible for all CQA
- documents. This includes the CQA certifying engineer's copy of the design criteria, plans, procedures,
- and specifications; the CQA Plan; and the originals of all the data sheets and reports. The field records
- will be kept in lockable, metal cabinets or on metal shelving within a facility, protected by a fire alarm
- and/or a communication system that provides fire department response and/or fire suppression systems;
- or, in an Underwriters Laboratory-listed, one-hour fire-rated cabinet. At the completion of the project, all
- completed documents will be routed to the project quality records.

26 8.1.10 Storage of Archive Construction Material Samples

- 27 The CQA certifying engineer will be responsible for storing construction material samples collected
- 28 during the duration of the project.
- 29 The COA certifying engineer will coordinate with the IDF PM and IDF CM on which samples will be
- archived at the completion of the project. All samples will be kept in small containers (i.e., 5-gallon
- 31 plastic buckets). Each container will be labeled with the following information:
- Project name
- 33 Date
- Sample I.D.
 - Material type
- Point of contact
- 37 Control and protection of samples will be accomplished through the use of an index listing of samples.
- 38 This index will identify each sample gathered and include the same information required for the sample
- 39 containers. It will also identify where the sample is stored and person responsible for the sample storage,
- 40 thus providing a documented record of each sample and methodology for verifying that all samples are
- 41 available in storage and that no samples have been misplaced.
- 42 All samples will be stored neatly in a cool, dry location, approved by the CQA certifying engineer. The
- 43 CQA certifying engineer will coordinate with the IDF PM and IDF CM to determine which sample will
- be archived at the project completion.

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